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Delving into the future of IoT with IoT613's 2018 Conference

Ottawa, ON – April 3, 2018 – IoT613 is pleased to announce the return of the IoT613 Conference, taking place April 18 – 20, 2018 at the Canadian Museum of History. This year's Internet of Things (IoT) conference consists of hands-on workshops, a day focused on connected transportation, and concludes with a day dedicated to wearable technology and augmented reality.

The conference begins with concurrent workshops, a business workshop for entrepreneurs and those looking to grow businesses with IoT and a technical workshop for intermediate and advanced developers. These workshops will be led by industry professionals, with the technical workshop being conducted by IBM's Worldwide IoT team. April 19 will focus on connected transportation, from autonomous cars to drones and aerial IoT to the future of rail in the world of IoT. The conference wraps on April 20 with discussions covering wearables for healthcare, defense applications, and more before concluding with a keynote address from Sheila Narasimhan, a Senior UX Researcher with Google.

This year's third annual conference expands on what has been done previously and touches on timely issues. Following the Canadian Senate's report on how Canada is ill prepared for automated and driverless cars, a self-driving Uber in Arizona hit and killed a pedestrian in what is believed the first fatal pedestrian crash involving autonomous vehicles. Following this tragedy, Uber suspended all programs involving self-driving cars, including in Toronto, highlighting the validity of the Senate's concerns. However, the Senate also highlighted issues surrounding privacy of data, cybersecurity, and the speed at which private companies are moving ahead.

Transport Canada, the platinum sponsor of IoT613, also announced late last week they will begin allowing first responders and select private companies to test flying drones out of sight. Current regulation only allows drones to fly as far as the operator can see which limits potential, such as delivery drones. This potential change could alter the future and is something Craig Hutton, Director General, Strategic Policy and Innovation with Transport Canada is sure to address when he speaks at IoT613 on April 19.

"We cannot begin to express how excited we are by this year's line-up of speakers, sponsors, and schedule," said IoT613 co-founder and CEO Adam Freed. "Given the recent headlines, we look forward to learning more about what is being done to keep people – and their information – safe."

Tickets for this year's conference are now available as individual days or as a two or three day pass.

For more details about IoT613 Conference 2018:
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