

## **WELCOME TO OTTAWA!**

On behalf of Ottawa Tourism, we extend to you a warm welcome to our beautiful city. Ottawa is incredibly proud to host the ACM International Conference on Multimedia Retrieval (ICMR) 2019.

Nestled at the junction of three rivers and the UNESCO World Heritage Site, the Rideau Canal, Ottawa is considered one of the world's most beautiful capitals. The city features a thriving cultural scene, a wealth of historic landmarks, wide-open green spaces and parks, and delivers a truly unique Canadian experience. Our national museums devoted to science, technology, aerospace, and more, offer creative, ground breaking, and state-of-the-art exhibitions, as well as modern convention venues, offering a unique and inspiring meeting experience to its delegates. Bordering the province of Quebec, Ottawa offers a dynamic cultural milieu in which both French and English cultures and languages are treasured. Add all of that to its clean, green, and natural setting, and you've got a capital that attracts millions of visitors every year.

When your business is done, we encourage you to explore some of the many attractions of the area. We are pleased to offer you our "Flash Your Badge" program. This tool allows you to explore Canada's Capital the way YOU want to experience it! There are plenty of discounts available to you, just by flashing your delegate badge at participating attractions and restaurants in Ottawa www.ottawatourism.ca/fyb.

To find out what's on while you're here visit www.ottawatourism.ca and be sure to share your experiences with us on social media using the hashtag **#MyOttawa**. We hope that your time in Ottawa is productive and fulfilling.

Enjoy your visit to Ottawa and we sincerely hope we have the pleasure of welcoming you back soon!

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