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Statement on Canada's National Electricity Strategy

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Electro-Federation Canada (EFC) welcomes the Government of Canada's vision for a stronger, more electrified economy and its commitment to expanding and modernizing Canada's electricity infrastructure, while recognizing the importance of secure supply chains and demand reduction. For EFC members, these initiatives reinforce the growing importance of Canada's electrical and automation industry in supporting economic growth, energy security, industrial productivity, and long-term resilience.

"The National Electricity Strategy is an important step toward building the infrastructure and industrial capacity needed to support Canada's electrified economy," said Carol McGlogan, President & CEO of Electro-Federation Canada. "Our industry will play a central role in delivering the technologies, equipment, and expertise required to expand grid capacity, strengthen supply chains, improve energy efficiency, and support long-term economic competitiveness."

[Read more](#) | Learn more about EFC's Make the Switch campaign focused on advancing electrification, energy efficiency, and grid modernization across Canada [here](#)

Industry News

NEW: General Registration Now Open for the 20th Anniversary Atlantic Golf Tournament | August 6 –

Our 2026 EFC Atlantic Golf Committee is excited to welcome you back to Royal Oaks Golf Club in Moncton, New Brunswick on August 6 as we celebrate our Annual Atlantic Golf Tournament! Register as an individual or foursome [here](#). Several sponsorship opportunities are available at various levels. View the full list of opportunities [here](#). This charity tournament is in support of IWK Health, an organization dedicated to providing quality health care to women, children, youth, and families in the Maritime provinces and beyond. We're looking forward to seeing you and your industry colleagues to this special 20th anniversary tournament! For event inquiries, contact [Dennis Potharst](#)

EFC Industry Conference

LAST CALL: Register for WaveMakers: Where Disruption Meets Direction. Join the more than 650 industry leaders and forward thinkers already registered as we explore the forces reshaping our sector and turn bold ideas into clear action. Discover what's ahead, connect with changemakers shaping the future of our industry, and secure your spot today. [Register now](#)

CEMRA Night Tickets Still Available. There is still time to join us for the conference closing event at Steele Wheels Motor Museum. Add a ticket onto your registration today! [Learn more](#)

Updates from EFC's Business Sections

2026 IEC YP Workshop – The Canadian National Committee of the International Electrotechnical Commission (CANC/IEC) invites the next-generation of standardization experts in Canada to participate in the [IEC Young Professionals Workshop](#). The IEC Young Professional (YP) Programme brings together the world's upcoming expert engineers, technicians, and managers, and provides opportunities for young professionals to shape the future of international standardization and conformity assessment in the electrotechnology field. CANC/IEC and the Standards Council of Canada will select 1 (one) YP to represent Canada at the annual [IEC YP Workshop](#) and attend the 90th [IEC General Meeting](#) from November 16-20, 2026, in Hamburg, Germany. Please find more information about the competition on our website on the [IEC Young Professionals Programme 2026](#). **Applications are due June 12, 2026.**

Sussex Strategy's Analysis of the Federal Government's National Electricity Strategy – [Read more](#)

National YPN Day Quebec | June 10 – Quebec's YPN committee invites you to celebrate young professionals with a day of guest speakers, donations to the Quebec Diversity and Equity scholarship, and industry networking. The day will include three speakers, lunch, a professional business photo service and more. This event is exclusively for YPN members (40 and under) [Register now](#)

2026 Ontario Golf Tournament | June 16 – EFC's Ontario Region Golf Tournament is almost sold out, with 187 members already registered and just 29 spots remaining. Secure your foursome or individual spot today and join fellow industry professionals for a day of networking, connection, and competition on the course. [Register now](#)

NEW: National YPN Day Atlantic | June 18 – The YPN Atlantic committee is pleased to be hosting a dragon boat racing clinic to recognize National YPN Day. Participants will get an intro lesson into paddling technique and water safety from staff at Dragon Boat East before heading out on Lake Banook in Dartmouth, NS to show off their skills. Following the event, refreshments and food will be served. Proceeds from the event will be directed to the local SPCA, the region's selected GIVE charity. [Register now](#)

NEW: National YPN Day Saskatchewan | June 24 – To kick off our first event in the YPN Prairies, we are excited to host a networking and information session at Birmingham's Vodka and Ale House in Saskatoon, SK on June 24 from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM (CST). The event is open to all EFC members in the region, and will be an opportunity for us to share more information about YPN and discuss the benefits of being part of the network. If you are in the area, we are looking forward to meeting you! Complimentary registration. Attendees receive one complimentary drink and appetizers. [Reserve your spot now](#). For questions, contact Dennis Potharst at dpotharst@electrofed.com

SAVE THE DATE: Atlantic LobsterFest | June 23 – Join us at the iconic Shore Club in Hubbards, NS for another unforgettable edition of EFC's Atlantic LobsterFest. Enjoy a traditional East Coast lobster supper at a venue celebrated for its authentic maritime charm and hospitality. This annual event supports Atlantic YPN programming and brings together industry peers for an evening of great food, networking, and connection. We hope you can join us for a memorable East Coast experience. Stay tuned for registration details soon!

SAVE THE DATE: EFC Federation Cup | August 19 – Registration for the highly anticipated EFC Federation Cup 2026 opens on June 18, and spots are expected to sell out quickly! Join us August 19 at Deer Creek Golf Course in Ajax, ON, for a refreshed tournament experience featuring a new golf format and reimagined evening dinner and golf awards celebration.

REMINDER: Applications Now Open for EFC's 2026 Scholarship Program – Do you know a student currently enrolled in a college or university program? Let them know that EFC's Scholarship Program is accepting applications. With more than 60 scholarships available and over \$160,000 in funding, this program is supported by leading Canadian electrical manufacturers, distributors, and agents who are committed to developing the next generation of industry talent. Help spread the word and make sure eligible students take advantage of this opportunity. [Learn more](#) | [Share the program poster](#)

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