



FROM THE EDITOR

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It is just about time for that summer break. I am sure many of you are looking forward to sunny weather and maybe some travel or BBQs at home, with or without family and friends. Summer days often include some reading, and though work-related magazines like *Summit* are not always what you might choose for in your quieter moments, I know most of you will take the time to explore the contents of this online edition.

As always we strive to make your time spent with this magazine useful. This issue provides you with a group of articles and opinions that seem to fit the "value-for-money" theme. Finding ways to access the most modern software, finding new tools that make your job simpler, understanding complex procurement contracts and terminology and being introduced to professionals who may help you are ways to become more efficient and cost effective and provide more value.

"Sustainable procurement," a new column for *Summit* magazine, talks about corporate social responsibility – not just about the private sector, but also about the role that you as procurement professionals can play. We hope that you will find Larry Berglund's ideas and comments thought provoking and helpful. Larry is a long time public procurement professional who turns his passion for the environment into practical steps.

We hope you will enjoy this issue.

Please also note that your nominations for the Leadership in Public Procurement Award and the Leadership in Green Procurement Award are due by June 30 to

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This award program, which has been running for several years in collaboration with the Canadian Public Procurement Council, is a wonderful opportunity to share your expertise with your colleagues. Winners are announced at the annual CPPC Forum, this year to be held in Ottawa. Winners and finalists are featured in a special edition of *Summit* magazine.

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