Future is Public: Conference Feedback // L'avenir est public: retour sur la conférence

30 responses

Please rate the following aspects of the conference: // Évaluez ces différents éléments de la conférence

Presentations // Présentations

30 responses

1 1 (36.7%)
2 0 (0%)
3 4 (13.3%)
4 15 (50%)
5 11 (36.7%)
Discussions

30 responses

Food // Nourriture

30 responses
Social event // Événement social

16 responses

Open format strategy sessions // Formule publique des sessions stratégiques

30 responses
Relevance to what I'm doing // Pertinence par rapport à ce que je fais

29 responses

Additional comments on any of the above? // Avez-vous des commentaires additionnels par rapport à tout ce qui a été mentionné précédemment?

7 responses

The food served was tasty but lots of carbs and no diet beverage. Would be nice to have two lines so food is served faster.

The conference attendance was skewed heavily toward older, white, male people. I feel we would have benefitted from more “norm-setting” at the beginning of the conference to help balance our conversations better. In many instances, I felt that the discussions were dominated by these identities, and their analysis of the work did not always include elements of race or gender. Often there was no recognition of how that privilege colors our
experiences, and the larger power dynamics at play there. As a young woman from a nonwhite background, I did not feel particularly well-represented in these conversations, nor was I always totally comfortable speaking up.

Moderators might wish to establish the ground rules for “Blue Sky” sessions as I found people were willing to argue points in the process of Blue Skying which is not effective to uncover all available ideas.

Good discussions and ideas. I enjoyed learning about how Spain was able to work toward pro public water services

Food: Placement of Vegan offering away from rest of food was discriminatory. I know you probably didn't want non-vegans to deplete supplies before vegans got to them.

Please respect the agenda. When it is supposed to start at 9 am, please start at 9 am not 9 h 45. Also, please have the simultaneous interpretation in French during all the event duration not only for the closing session.

The Open Format sessions only worked in a few cases. I've seen them work much better but some of the leads weren't embracing the process.

Please check all that apply to your conference experience: // Veuillez cocher tout ce qui s'applique à votre expérience de la conférence:

29 responses
Are you planning to support any of these existing campaigns? (check all that apply) // Prévoyez-vous de soutenir des campagnes? (Cochez ce qui s'applique à vous)

30 responses

- 25 (83.3%)
- 21 (70%)
- 19 (63.3%)
- 13 (43.3%)
- 1 (3.3%)
- 1 (3.3%)
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From your perspective, what would most help the pro-public movement move forward? (check no more than two) // À votre avis, qu'est-ce qui pourrait aider le mouvement pro-public à aller de l'avant? (Ne cochez pas plus que deux options)

30 responses
What do you think the pro-public movement's next steps should be? // Selon vous, quelles devraient être les prochaines étapes dans la démarche du mouvement pro-public?

15 responses

- Regular communications and coordination among partners/members groups
- Open and extend the communication network for exchange of ideas and tactics
- Make more of the public aware of the issues
- Creating systems (that are built by and include all voices – not just elite, white, male voices) that allow for collaboration across industries and different geographic areas. From here, we find ways to channel seemingly disparate energies towards a collective fight, and unify towards an overarching "pro-public" narrative.
- Establish the high ground not of morality but of effectiveness—work that benefits the most people. Explain the movement in a small chunk that seeks to respect rather than educate.
- Have working groups plan to educate the public and lobby MP's for change
- More meet ups and have regional meetings
- Rallying and organizing at the local level.
- Putting plans into action!
- Did I hear that there are bills coming up in this fall's Parliamentary sessions for public banking?
  If so, let's campaign legislators now to encourage greater support. Gov. change is notoriously slow, let's get momentum going beyond unions to give these bills more support!
Need to get the data on the cost effectiveness of public service delivery. Messaging those jurisdictions who seem to have proponents who are pushing for privatization of all services.

proposition de politiques + mise au programme des partis

Policy proposals

Joint public opinion research to inform messaging that can be consistent across all channels of communications.

some process to continue work and coordination, another strategy meeting down the road

Anything you would like to add? // Avez-vous quelque chose à ajouter?

12 responses

Really enjoyed this and felt that it should be a priority as an approach to re-defining and reframing the public discussion.

Since you had translation services provided it made it for a long talking between saying it in English and then translating it right after in french when it could have been simultaneously done.

Totally loved it.. I didn't know what to expect and was very enlightened!

Thank you for putting together a unique and truly informative space! It is no small feat to have so many people from different lines of work in the same space.

Keep up the good work. Thanks for a great event.

Good conference. Thank you

There was a hierarchy felt at the conference between those who are unionized and those who are not. This could be a powerful exclusion factor and bringing people who are not in unions onboard.

I think we need more discussion and research around the impact of financialization cultures on public service provision and public service narratives.

Felt conference hit the what and the where, know the why. Need to definitely find the focus on the who and the when.
More local events

Next time we need full simultaneous interpretation. Next time, let's not call the Sunday morning session optional.

fantastic job, loved learning more about cooperatives, making new connections