

CIDQ Annual Meeting 2026 – Agenda

Thursday, November 12	
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm	Welcome Reception
Friday, November 13	
8:00 am – 9:00 am	Breakfast (on your own)
9:00 am – 9:15 am	Welcome to Georgia!
9:15 am – 9:30 am	Welcome and CIDQ Year in Review - Carol Erklouts, President, CIDQ - Rebecca Moden, Chief Executive Officer, CIDQ
9:30 am – 10:30 am	Keynote – Designing with Intelligence: AI in the Modern Design Practice Speaker Stacy Thorwart, The Intelligent Designer
10:30 am – 10:45 am	Break
10:45 am – 12:15 pm	Charting the Course Ahead – Launching Our New Strategic Plan Speakers - CIDQ Board of Directors - Rebecca Moden, Chief Executive Officer, CIDQ
12:15 pm – 1:15 pm	Lunch
1:15 pm – 2:00 pm	Leadership Development Council – Progress, Priorities & Path Forward Panel: - Erin Jennings, LDC Chair - Sandy Edmonds, Louisiana Member Board Executive (MBE) and LDC Member
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Governance for the Future – A Conversation on the Proposed Bylaw Changes Speaker(s): Amanda Rienth, CIDQ Board Director <i>and members of the Governance Task Force</i>
3:30 pm – 3:45 pm	Break
3:45 pm – 4:30 pm	Building a Stronger Regulatory Framework – The Role of MBMs and MBEs Speakers - Matt Barusch, Director, Government Affairs and Advocacy, CIDQ - Trevor Kruse, Chief Executive Officer, IDC
4:30 pm	Adjourn
Saturday, November 14	
8:30 am – 9:30 am	Breakfast (on your own)
9:30 am – 9:45 am	Welcome and Announcements
9:45 am – 10:00 am	Tregre Award Presentation- A virtual award presentation to Alana Pulay
10:00 am – 11:00 am	BUSINESS Session – Model Regulation Vote - Carol Erklouts, President, CIDQ - Matt Barusch, Director, Government Affairs and Advocacy, CIDQ
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Navigating Change – Exam Security, New Blueprints, and Candidate Experience Speakers: - Adrienne Cadle, Vice President of Credentialing, Professional Testing - Cornelia Springer, Certification Operations Director, CIDQ
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Member Board Member Breakout: <i>Looking Ahead: Deregulation and Communicating the Value Proposition of Licensure</i> Matt Barusch, Director, Government Affairs and Advocacy, CIDQ
	Member Board Executives Breakout: <i>Increasing Board Support and Membership Engagement</i> - John Cothron, MBE Committee Chair, Mississippi - Sandy Edmonds, MBE Committee, Louisiana - Lance Brenton, MBE Committee, Texas - Eric Greppo, MBE Committee, New York - Andrew Gardiner, MBE Committee, British Columbia
	Canadian Members Breakout: <i>Exploring funded Canadian Advocacy Collaborative initiatives, CIDQ and IDC alignment opportunities, CAC and FIDRAC updates, and future partnership opportunities</i> - McKenzie Cooper, CIDQ Board Director - Rebecca Moden, Chief Executive Officer, CIDQ - Trevor Kruse, Chief Executive Officer, IDC
2:00 pm – 2:15 pm	Break
2:15 pm – 2:45 pm	Town Hall – <i>An open forum with the President & CEO</i> Speakers - Carol Erklouts, President, CIDQ - Rebecca Moden, Chief Executive Officer, CIDQ
2:45 pm – 3:00 pm	Qualities and Benefits of CIDQ Board Service – <i>Discover how leadership at CIDQ strengthens the organization, advances the profession, and benefits you.</i> Speaker Siavash Madani, Past President, CIDQ
3:00 pm – 3:15 pm	Outgoing President Remarks- <i>Reflections from the President</i> Speaker Carol Erklouts, President, CIDQ
3:15 pm – 3:30 pm	Leading Into the Future – <i>Incoming President's Remarks, Introduction of the 2027 CIDQ Board, and Announcement of the 2027 Annual Meeting Location</i> Speaker Charrisse Johnston, President Elect, CIDQ
3:30 pm	Adjourn

*Agenda subject to change. Times are listed in Eastern Time Zone (ET).