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To: Presidents and Administrative Officers
Local, Federated and Provincial Associations

From: David Robinson, Executive Director

Re: **CAUT's 5th Equity Conference: February 21-22, 2020, Ottawa**

How can we, as members of academic staff associations, accelerate progress towards meeting our equity goals? Despite public commitments to equity, universities and colleges continue to be places that exclude and marginalize.

CAUT's 5th Equity Conference will bring together equity and academic staff association activists from across the country to share and develop ways to more effectively advance equity. This is no ordinary conference; it is a hands-on skills-building training to identify and strengthen concrete approaches that academic staff can use to better achieve equitable, diverse and inclusive campuses.

The event provides an important opportunity for members of your association – officers, executive members, chief negotiators, equity activists, and other interested members to meet colleagues from other associations, share experiences and ideas and build a network of contacts and support.

Please circulate the information about *Organizing for Equity: Skills for Activists* widely among your membership. We hope that each association will sponsor several of its members.

The overview and agenda, as well as the registration link and hotel information are available on the [CAUT website](http://www.caut.ca). There will be simultaneous translation in English and French.

Register now! The early bird rate cut-off date is December 20, 2019.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Pam Foster (foster@caut.ca / 613-820-2270 x195).