



To start today's event, we would like to recognize and acknowledge the traditional land and territory on which today's event is taking place.

It is important to make note of the relational and contextual quality of this protocol.

An acknowledgment of **Traditional Territory** is an invitation to reflect on personal relationships with Indigenous Nations.

When we **acknowledge Treaty** we are asking individuals to explore their rights and responsibilities to place and people.

And when **Land is acknowledged** we are encouraging you to seek out the history and teachings of the natural world.

We would like to begin this by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe Mississauga, adjacent to The Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation and in the territory covered by the Williams Treaty.

This place is and will continue to be home to Indigenous Peoples. Let us move forward together with kindness and respect.