



VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING CHECKLIST

for use with the GoToWebinar online meeting platform

MEETING PREPARATION

- Create **Timeline** for virtual meeting activities
- Confirm **Co-Organizers** and **Panelists**
- Create a meeting **Process Agenda** showing staff responsibilities
- Check equipment suitability for a virtual meeting
- Prepare materials for virtual viewing/sharing
- Develop any **Poll** questions to be used during the meeting
- Develop any post-meeting **Survey** questions
- Set up the **GoToWebinar Platform** (detailed checklist below)
- Promote the meeting (notifications)
- Practice the meeting agenda, slides, and **Control Panel** features

GOTOWEBINAR SETUP

- Check **Audio** and **Recording** settings (yes to all options)
- Schedule a **New Event** (**Live** event with **Standard** interaction)
- Add **Description**, **Organizers**, and **Panelists** (**Event Details** page)
- Add **Welcome Message** for **Chat** box (**Event Details** page)
- Add **Presenters** for the **Waiting Room** (**Event Details** page)
- Add **Logo** and **Feature Image** (**Event Details** page)
- Select **Feature Color** (**Event Details** page)
- Obtain **Share Event** details for notifications (**Event Details** page)
- Set **Registration Settings** (**Event Details** page)
- Add **Reply-To** email address, set up **Confirmation**, **Reminder**, and **Follow-up Email** to **Registrants** (**Event Details** page)
- Add any **Poll** or **Survey** questions (**Event Details** page)
- Upload any **Handouts** or **Videos** (**Event Details** page)

RUNNING THE VIRTUAL MEETING

30-45 MIN BEFORE START TIME:

- Start pre-meeting in **Practice Mode**
- Close browser and unnecessary apps, including email
- Unmute meeting Staff to enable pre-meeting communications
- Check functionality of audio, webcams, and presentation slides progression
- Arrange your desktop (e.g., undock **Control Panel** modules)

15-30 MIN BEFORE START TIME:

- Send out any instructions to **Attendees** via the **Chat** box
- Monitor **Attendee** questions/comments in the **Question** box
- Verify all **Attendees** are muted
- Press **Start** on **Control Panel** to open the meeting and give **Attendees** time to get oriented. The **Attendee View** will be the **Waiting Room** or **Shared Screen**

AT START TIME:

- Make sure all meeting staff are muted except the speaker
- Make sure **Record** button is checked
- Click **Start the Broadcast** to allow **Attendees** to hear the speaker

WRAP UP:

- Stop **Recording**
- **Mute** all speakers
- Click **File** and **End Webinar**