

## President and CEO of TELUS World of Science – Edmonton, Alan Nursall, Announces His Retirement.

**Edmonton, AB – October 25, 2022 –** The Edmonton Space & Science Foundation that operates TELUS World of Science – Edmonton has announced that their President & CEO, Alan Nursall will be retiring in June of 2023.

Alan Nursall has been with the organization since January 2014 and during his tenure has guided the organization through many exciting and difficult transitions. He has strengthened our community connections, enriched our guest's science experiences, and led a strong team of staff and volunteers to grow the organization to record attendance and Membership numbers. Through the pandemic he continued to lead the team through multiple closures, pivots to online delivery, and re-openings.

"It has been a privilege and honour to serve as the President & CEO of TELUS World of Science -Edmonton. I am proud of the organization's accomplishments and the positive impact it continues to have on the community. I would like to thank the dedicated staff, volunteers, Board of Directors, and Foundation members that help make the science centre the destination to engage Albertans' hearts and minds in science."

Before coming to the Science Centre, Alan spent over two decades with Science North in Sudbury, Ontario where he was Science Director and Senior Scientist. Alan has also been a key member of the Association of Science-Technology Centers and the Giant Screen Cinema Association. On October 13 Alan received an Outstanding Career Achievement Award from the Canadian Association of Science Centres. In addition, he spent twenty years as one of the on-air science presenters for the show *Daily Planet* on Discovery Canada. Alan will be greatly missed by the science community.

"Alan's leadership has seen the Science Centre through some exciting, challenging and unprecedented times. We are extremely grateful for all his contributions over the past eight years," said Frank Mannarino Board Chair of The Edmonton Space & Science Foundation. "One month ago, we celebrated the completion of the Aurora Project, a \$41 million expansion and reimagination of the Science Centre. We look forward to having a new CEO to come onboard to realize the full potential of all the new spaces that Alan helped bring to life."

The Board of Directors has commenced the recruitment process for selecting a new President & CEO and Alan will continue to serve in his position throughout the recruitment period. The Board of Directors would like to acknowledge and thank Alan for his strong leadership and dedicated service in the operations and governance of the organization, especially throughout the challenging times brought on by COVID-19.

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## About TELUS World of Science - Edmonton

TELUS World of Science – Edmonton's mission is to: Ignite curiosity. Inspire discovery. Celebrate science. Change lives. We are the destination to engage Albertans' hearts and minds in science. The Edmonton Space & Science Foundation is a non-profit organization that operates TELUS World of Science – Edmonton.