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Economic Recovery from COVID-19 and Impact on Municipalities

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Thursday, February 25th, 2021 | 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. EST Speaker: Alex Kotsopoulos, Partner, Projects & Economics, RSM



The global and Canadian economies have been substantially impacted by COVID. We are now in the midst of the second wave, with stricter lockdown measures quickly being instituted. In December, after months of solid employment gains in Canada and the US, economic conditions worsened considerably. To date, the roll out of the vaccine has been slow and riddled with challenges. Economic recovery in Canada is likely to take longer as a result.

This session will focus on assessing the impact that COVID has had on municipal revenues and look at various recovery scenarios as outlined in The Real Economy, Canada (RSM's quarterly economic publication). The economic recovery in Canada will depend in large part on economic conditions in the US, and we will also spend some time looking at the impact of the new administration on Canada's economy and municipalities.

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About the speaker

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Alex Kotsopoulos is partner, projects & economics at RSM. He is a Chartered Financial Analyst with a Bachelor of Arts, Economics and Financial and Master of Arts in Business Economics from Wilfred Laurier University.

As an economist, he advises companies, governments, regulators and national and international institutions on a broad range of economic topics, helping them assess, evaluate and prioritize investments, initiatives and strategies. He helps companies and public sector organizations make large-scale strategic decisions on a more fully informed basis. Alex specializes in using data to drive decision making on a credible and robust basis.

In the municipal sector, Alex has led major infrastructure cost-benefit assessments, which have been leveraged to drive decision-making, build public support and to engage with funding partners. Most recently, Alex's work helped the City of Kingston obtain \$60 million in funding for infrastructure development. Alex understands the municipal sector and how decisions are made and what type of information Councilors and Staff need to make an informed decision. Alex has significant experience leading and project managing high profile economic, costbenefit and risk assessments and has led and completed nearly 80 consulting projects and led many of these.

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