

Biography – Denis Lachaine

Denis is a bilingual Security Executive with over 35 years of experience in developing, implementing and leading security programs. Recognized for his ability to provide strategic, tactical and operational advice to executives, he has provided strategic and tactical advice to officials in the public and private industry alike, domestically and internationally. He specializes in leading security teams by providing security risk mitigation strategies and best practices for the protection of people, assets, infrastructure and information in the physical and digital world.



Denis joined the Windsor/Detroit Bridge Authority (WDBA) in January 2018 as the Director, Project Security. The WDBA is a not-for-profit Crown corporation which reports to the Parliament of Canada through the Minister of Infrastructure and Communities. WDBA will manage the procurement process for the design, construction, operation and maintenance of the new Gordie Howe International Bridge between Windsor, Ontario and Detroit, Michigan through a public-private partnership (P3). Denis is the Subject Matter Expert (SME) for the entire security program associated with the GHIB including the Canada and US Points of Entry, the Bridge and Roadways leading into the US and Canada communities.

Denis' previous employment included: SNC-Lavalin's Global Security Team, Country Security Adviser with two United Nations (UN) Agencies in the Republic of Haiti; Project Manager and Senior Security Consultant; Director of Operations, Canadian Corps of Commissionaires, Ottawa Division; and Director of Protection Services with Ottawa U. Finally, Denis retired from the Canadian Forces Military Police as a Senior Commissioned Officer after 22 years of service.

Denis has a Certificate in Police Leadership (Dalhousie University), an undergraduate degree (Carleton University) and holds several security industry professional certifications such as: the United Nations (UN) Security Certification Program; Critical Infrastructure Protection Professional; United Kingdom's National Counter-Terrorism Security Adviser; Kidnap Incident Command Management; and Commander, Hostage/Barricaded Persons. He is currently studying to write the Certified Protection Professional (CPP) exam through the American Society of Industrial Security (ASIS).

Denis was awarded the following military service medals and distinctions: Canadian Forces Decoration; Canadian Peacekeeping Service Medal; United Nations mission Medal in Haiti; Canadian Special Service Medal; and Canadian Medal for Veterans.