



Executive Biography Patrick O'Reilly

Patrick O'Reilly is Founder and Owner of Padraig Coaching & Consulting, certified in executive coaching and specialized in facilitating difficult conversations and negotiations, executive on-boarding, and developing and leading strategic plans, public engagement and dialogue with stakeholders.

Until 2008, Mr. O'Reilly was a senior executive with the government of Canada, leading significant initiatives and teams of people in several key departments including the Privy Council Office, Public Safety Canada, Indian and Northern Affairs and Canadian Heritage. He held numerous senior roles including Director General of Strategic Planning for Public Safety where a part of his role was to engage Canadians in Canada's national security efforts, Director of Portfolio Operations for Canadian Heritage – advising the Minister of Canadian Heritage on all aspects of the cultural, heritage, broadcasting and film portfolio, and finally Canada's chief federal negotiator for the creation of the Canadian Museum for Human Rights – the first new Canadian national museum in over 40 years and the first outside the national capital.

Most recently Mr. O'Reilly was the Chief Operating Officer and acting Chief Executive Officer of the Canadian Museum for Human Rights where he engaged very diverse stakeholders in exciting, and at times difficult conversations, created Canada's newest Crown Corporation, established the museum's role, direction and brand, while recruiting key employees.

In his role with the museum, Mr. O'Reilly had full responsibility for tourism and marketing efforts. This included developing attraction strategies in partnership with Canadian Destination Marketing Organizations, working with promoters to develop synergistic events for the museum, selling the museum as a destination for Meetings, Incentives, Conventions and Exhibitions, developing and leading the museum's brand and promoting Canada and the museum throughout the world.

Mr. O'Reilly's contributions have also been seen outside Canada, including speaking engagements around the world at tourism, museum and rights conferences, developing partnerships for Canadian organizations in Britain, Iceland, France, Australia and elsewhere, creating an international working group established for national security issues, and coaching and training of senior government officials in Ghana.

Since starting Padraig Coaching & Consulting, Mr. O'Reilly has devoted himself to helping executives in government, health care, cultural organizations, universities, broadcasters and others to achieve greater clarity of vision, greater success in their day to day business and stronger teams of senior executives.

More information on Mr. O'Reilly and his firm, Padraig Coaching & Consulting, is available at:

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