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Denise Pothier is the Chief Operating Officer with the Canadian Council for Indigenous Business. Prior to this role, she enjoyed a rewarding career with Stantec Consulting with various roles, including Indigenous Relations, professional practice standards, and global ISO certifications.

She holds an engineering degree from Dalhousie University (formerly TUNS), an executive MBA from Athabasca University, completed the ICD-Rotman Directors Education Program with an ICD.D designation, and recently completed the Professional Impact Analysis certification from Smith School of Business - Queen's University.

For over 25 years, Denise has served on national and local boards, and she continues to serve on Efficiency One's, the IWK Health, and the Engineers Canada board of directors.

Denise is a proud recipient of the Engineers Canada Fellowship and is honoured to have been elected a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Engineering. Denise has also been recognized for her community work and leadership by the Halifax Progress Club, Engineers Nova Scotia, Dalhousie University, Athabasca University, and the Women's Executive Network.

She is committed to promoting an inclusive engineering community where everyone feels valued, respected, and empowered to contribute. When not at work, Denise loves spending time with friends and family at her oceanside cottage.