



THE AUSTRALIA-CANADA ECONOMIC LEADERSHIP FORUM
Renewing the Partnership for the 21st Century
July 23-25, 2012 in Toronto, Canada

INTRODUCTION and PROGRAM

The Australia-Canada Economic Leadership Forum is a summit of private and public sector leaders from both countries. The inaugural Forum was launched with great success in 2010 in Sydney, Australia.

The goal of the Forum is to foster a high level and frank exchange on issues and challenges of mutual interest to Australia and Canada – partners and allies who share common historical roots and values, among them, respect for freedom and the rule of law, and the advancement of international peace and security.

The 2012 Forum will address a wide variety of subjects that are top of mind in both countries: competitiveness and international trade priorities; approaches to global economic recovery following a devastating economic and financial crisis; responses to immense opportunities and transformational change in the Asia-Pacific region; and leading edge policies for harnessing technological change.

Given that Australia and Canada are blessed with an abundance of natural resources, the Toronto meetings also will address topical issues such as global food policy, the supply of minerals and energy in a resource constrained world, and the regulation of foreign investment.

It is often said that there are no two countries more alike than Australia and Canada and yet our relationship is marked by a great deal of unfulfilled potential. The Forum's mission is to move our two countries much closer together and the Toronto meetings on July 23-25 will serve as an important catalyst in advancing our cause.

PROGRAM as of June 7, 2012

Monday, 23 July - ROYAL ONTARIO MUSEUM

18:00 – 18:30 **Private Gallery Tour**

18:30 – 19:30 **Forum Opening Reception**

Welcome and Opening Remarks:

The Honourable Dalton McGuinty, P.C., M.P.P., Premier of Ontario

19:30 – 22:00 **Forum Opening Dinner**

Introduction of Keynote Speaker:

David Fleck, President and CEO, Macquarie Capital Markets Canada Ltd.
(Presenting Sponsor)

Keynote Speaker:

The Honourable John Baird, P.C., M.P.
Minister of Foreign Affairs, Government of Canada
(Invited, to be confirmed)

Tuesday, 24 July – THE RITZ-CARLTON HOTEL

07:30 – 08:45 **Breakfast with Opening Remarks**

Australian Co-Chair:

The Honourable Mike Rann, former Premier of South Australia

Canadian Co-Chair:

Thomas d'Aquino, Chairman,
Thomas d'Aquino Capital and former Chief Executive, Canadian Council of
Chief Executives

AUSTRALIA AND CANADA: PACIFIC PARTNERS, GLOBAL PLAYERS

Introduction of Keynote Speaker:

Bruce Flatt, Senior Managing Partner and Chief Executive Office,
Brookfield Asset Management Inc. (Gold Sponsor)

Keynote Address:

The Honourable Ed Fast, P.C., Q.C., M.P.,
Minister of International Trade and Minister for the Asia-Pacific Gateway,
Government of Canada

Q & A

09:00 – 10:15

COMPETITIVENESS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE: BUSINESS PERSPECTIVES ON AUSTRALIAN AND CANADIAN PRIORITIES

Presentations:

The Honourable John Manley, President and Chief Executive Officer, Canadian Council of Chief Executives and former Deputy Prime Minister of Canada; and

Heather Ridout, Board Member of the Reserve Bank of Australia; and recently retired Chief Executive of the Australian Industry Group

Q & A

10:30 – 11:45

**SESSION 1
FACING UP TO GLOBAL ECONOMIC THREATS AND OPPORTUNITIES :
AUSTRALIAN AND NORTH AMERICAN STRATEGIES**

Facilitator:

Diane Francis, Journalist, Author and Editor-at-Large, National Post

Panellists:

David Dodge, Chancellor of Queen's University, Senior Advisor, Bennett Jones LLP and former Governor, Bank of Canada

The Honourable John M. Engler, President, Business Roundtable and former Governor of Michigan

Professor Geoffrey Garrett, Dean, University of Sydney Business School and Chief Executive Officer, United States Studies Centre

Michael Thawley, Senior Vice President, Capital Research and Management Company and Capital Strategy Research Inc., and former Ambassador of Australia to the United States

The Honourable Michael Wilson, Chairman, Barclays Capital Canada, former Ambassador of Canada to the United States, and former Minister of Finance, Government of Canada

Q & A

12:00 – 13:15

RECEPTION AND LUNCHEON

Introduction of Keynote Speaker:

Calin Rovinescu, President & Chief Executive Office, Air Canada
(Gold Sponsor)

Keynote Speaker:

The Honourable Jean Charest, Premier of Quebec

13:30 – 14:45

SESSION 2

**THE POLITICS AND ECONOMICS OF FOOD IN A WORLD OF
EXPANDING DEMAND**

Facilitator:

The Honourable Mike Rann, former Premier of South Australia

Presentation:

Mayo Schmidt, President and Chief Executive Officer, Viterra Inc.
(Palladium Sponsor)

Commentary by:

David Crombie, former President, National Farmers Federation and
Commissioner, Australia Centre for International Agricultural Research

Gaétan Lussier, Chair, The Canadian Agri-Food Policy Institute and
President, Gaétan Lussier and Associates

Q & A

14:55 – 16:10

SESSION 3

**CHINA AND INDIA RISING: AUSTRALIAN AND CANADIAN RESPONSES
TO TRANS-FORMATIVE CHANGES IN ASIA**

Facilitator:

John W. H. Denton, Partner & Chief Executive Officer, Corrs Chambers
Westgarth, and Director, Business Council of Australia

Panellists:

Dominic Barton, Global Managing Director, McKinsey & Company and
former McKinsey's Chairman of Asia (2004-2009)

John McCarthy, Chair of the Board, Australia India Council and former High
Commissioner to India

Stephen Poloz, President and Chief Executive Officer, Export Development
Canada

Yuen Pau Woo, President and Chief Executive Officer, Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada and Advisor, Shanghai WTO Affairs Consultation Centre

Q & A

16:20 – 17:35

**SESSION 4
MAXIMIZING AUSTRALIAN AND CANADIAN ADVANTAGES AS
MINERAL AND ENERGY EXPORTERS IN A CARBON CONSTRAINED
WORLD**

Facilitator:

Steven J. Landry, Managing Director/President, ATCO Australia and Past Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Chrysler Canada Ltd.

Panellists:

Michael Cleland, Nexen Executive in Residence, Canada West Foundation and former President and Chief Executive Officer, Canadian Gas Association

Tim Cutt, President, Diamonds and Specialty Products, BHP Billiton (Platinum Sponsor)

Hal Kvisle, Co-Chair, Alberta Environmental Monitoring Panel and former Chief Executive Officer, TransCanada Corporation

Professor Chris Moran - University of Queensland, Centre for Sustainable Mining

The Honourable Mike Rann, former Premier of South Australia

Q & A

18:00 - 18:20

Guests meet in hotel lobby to board Executive Coaches

18:25 – 18:45

Executive Coaches depart for the Queen's Quay Terminal. Transfer is made to an Executive Boat at Pier 6, Queens Quay Terminal, Lake Ontario

18:50 - 19:45 **Forum Reception**
Harbour Front Boat Cruise on Lake Ontario

Welcome:
Her Excellency Louise Hand, Australian High Commissioner to Canada

20:00 – 21:45 **The Royal Canadian Yacht Club (RCYC), Lake Ontario**

Forum Dinner

Keynote Address:
The Honourable Martin Ferguson A.M., M.P., Minister for Resources and Energy, Minister for Tourism, Government of Australia

22:00 – 23:00 **Executive Boat departs from the Yacht Club for Queens Quay, Pier 6.
Transfer to Executive Coaches and return to The Ritz-Carlton Hotel**

Wednesday, 25 July – The Ritz-Carlton Hotel

07:45 – 08:45 **Breakfast**

TBA

09:00 – 10:15 **SESSION 5
REGULATING FOREIGN INVESTMENT: THE AUSTRALIAN AND
CANADIAN EXPERIENCE AND MANAGING CHALLENGES AHEAD**

Facilitator:

Jack Mintz, Director and Palmer Chair, School of Public Policy,
University of Calgary

Panellists:

The Honourable Perrin Beatty, President and Chief Executive Officer,
Canadian Chamber of Commerce of Canada

Paul Davies, Director, C & M International Ltd, Washington DC

Virginia Flood, Vice-President Canada, Rio Tinto

Thomas d’Aquino, Chairman, Thomas d’Aquino Capital and former
Chief Executive, Canadian Council of Chief Executives

Q & A

10:30 – 11:45

SESSION 6

THE 21ST CENTURY INNOVATION IMPERATIVE: COMPETING WITH INNOVATIVE LEADERS IN THE DEVELOPED AND EMERGING WORLD

Facilitator:

Tim Harcourt, Author, 'The Airport Economist' and Adjunct Professor, Australian School of Business, University of New South Wales

Panelists:

Professor Michael N. Barber, President and Vice-Chancellor, Flinders University

Dr. Megan Clark, Chief Executive, Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation

Dr. Indira Samarasekera, President, University of Alberta

Q & A

12:00 – 14:00

Closing Luncheon

Closing Observations:

Dr. Janice Stein, Director of The Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto

Paul Kelly, Editor-at-Large, The Australian

The Honourable Malcolm Turnbull M.P., Shadow Minister for Communications and Broadband, Government of Australia

Closing Remarks by Co-Chairs