## Planning for Green Jobs: Environmental Trends and Opportunities

Wednesday, December 3, 2008, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Debates Room, Hart House, University of Toronto, 7 Hart House Circle

Dear Colleague,

The Intergovernmental Committee for Economic and Labour Force Development in Toronto (ICE) invites you to a forum at **Hart House**, the University of Toronto on **Wednesday**, **December 3**, **2008** from **8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** on "**Planning for Green Jobs: Environmental Trends and Opportunities.**"

Most people identify the **economy** and the **environment** as the two most **critical issues** facing the world today. **Green jobs** combine both these issues into one by linking the health of the environment and the economy with the availability of **highly skilled and qualified people**.

Come hear keynote speaker **Grant Trump**, **President and CEO of ECO Canada** speak about the **latest environmental labour market trends**, highlighting gaps and solutions to fill **anticipated labour market shortfalls** in the **green economy**.

Following the keynote will be presentations by a number of **business and educational experts in the green economy field**, including:

- ✓ Vera E. Taylor, Consulting Manager, Education Sector Council Partnerships Project (ESCPP)
- ✓ Rolf Priesnitz, Director of Apprenticeship, George Brown College and Publisher, Natural Life Magazine
- ✓ Christine Cinnamon, Environmental Manager, TransCanada
- ✓ **Sandeep Lal**, President, Metro Label

There is no cost to participate in this forum. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided. Getting to **Hart House map**: http://www.harthouse.utoronto.ca/hh/page.php?id=ABT08.

I look forward to seeing you on **Wednesday**, **December 3**, **2008** at what promises to be an informative and exciting session. An agenda is attached. Seating capacity is limited so **please RSVP** to <u>info@icecommittee.org</u> by no later than November 26, 2008 (please indicate if you have any dietary restrictions or special needs). Feel free to call me directly at 416-348-9935 if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

Enid Slack, Chair, ICE Committee

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## **Agenda**

Registration, continental breakfast and networking
Introduction - Enid Slack, Chair, ICE Committee
Building the Canadian Environmental Workforce for Today and the Future ✓ Grant Trump, President and CEO, ECO Canada
Discussion
High School Foundations for Careers in the Environmental Sector  ✓ Vera E. Taylor, Consulting Manager, Education Sector Council  Partnerships Project (ESCPP)
Learning to Build a Green Canada  ✓ Rolf Priesnitz, Director of Apprenticeship, George Brown College and Publisher, Natural Life Magazine
Break
Green Expectations in the Workplace ✓ Christine Cinnamon, Environmental Manager, TransCanada
Panel Discussion: Innovative Activities and Partnerships to Ensure a Stable Supply of Environmental Workers: Grant Trump, Vera Taylor, Rolf Priesnitz and Christine Cinnamon
The Advantages of Being Lean and Green: Some Final Thoughts ✓ Sandeep Lal, President, Metro Label
Closing Remarks – <i>Enid Slack</i> , Chair, ICE Committee
Networking lunch