

# Agenda

March 1, 2017, 8:30 am – 3:00 pm  
InterContinental Toronto Centre Hotel, 225 Front Street West, Toronto



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# SBIC

SMALL BUSINESS  
INNOVATION CHALLENGE  
PARTNERING FORUM

**8:30 – 9:00**      **Registration Opens / Networking Continental Breakfast**

**9:00 – 9:05**      **Welcome**

- **Tom Corr**, President and CEO, Ontario Centres of Excellence

**Remarks from Government**

- 9:05 – 9:15**
- **Honourable Brad Duguid**, Minister of Economic Development and Growth
  - **Honourable Reza Moridi**, Minister of Research, Innovation and Science

**Ministry of Transportation**

- 9:25 – 9:55**
- **Jamie Austin**, Director of HOT Lanes Pilot Branch, Policy and Planning Division, MTO

**Ministry of Government and Consumer Services**

- 9:55 – 10:30**
- **Lisa Vescio**, Director of Digital Planning, Service Ontario, MGCS

**10:30 – 11:30**      **Elevator Pitches, Session 1**

- A brief summary of you, the company you represent, and your collaboration interests

**11:30 – 1:00**      **Networking Lunch**

**1:00 – 1:45**      **Elevator Pitches, Session 2**

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**OCE Program Overview**

- 1:45 – 1:50**
- **Tania Massa**, Director, Innovation Procurement, Ontario Centres of Excellence
  - **Dr. Laura Yu**, Innovation Procurement Manager, Ontario Centres of Excellence

**Closing Remarks**

- 1:50 – 2:00**
- **Tania Massa**, Director, Innovation Procurement, Ontario Centres of Excellence

**Networking and One-on-One Sessions**

- 2:00 – 3:00**
- SME and MTO/MGCS representatives