

# Micro- credential

## FORUM 2025

**Bridging Skill Gaps, Building Futures**



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## Bridging Skill Gaps, Building Futures

This year's conference will explore how postsecondary institutions, industry partners, and eCampusOntario are working together to solve skills shortages and mismatches – equipping learners and businesses with the tools and talent they need to thrive.

### About eCampusOntario

eCampusOntario is a not-for-profit organization that accelerates the transformation of postsecondary digital learning in Ontario to increase participation in higher education. eCampusOntario leads a consortium of the province's publicly-assisted colleges, universities and Indigenous institutes to advance the development and adoption of online and digital learning technologies, programs and environments.

# // Conference Tracks

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## **Productivity Partners**

How are micro-credentials alleviating skills shortages and strengthening key sectors of the economy to support Canadian productivity?



## **Career Catalysts**

How are upskilling and reskilling initiatives enabling career advancement and transition at every stage of life?



## **Enrolment Energizers**

How are institutions reaching new audiences to market, sustain, and scale their rapid training programs?



## **Instructional Innovators**

How are instructors incorporating innovative pedagogical practices and future skills needs into their micro-credential programs to help learners navigate societal transformations?

**Join us as we drive innovation in the higher education sector, bridge skill gaps, and build futures.**

# // Featured Presenters

## Hosted By:



**Amrit  
Ahluwalia**

**Executive Director of  
Continuing Studies,  
Western University**

Amrit Ahluwalia is the Executive Director of Continuing Studies at Western University, overseeing post-degree professional programming, professional development and corporate programming, and the Western English Language Centre.

Ahluwalia joined Western in 2024 after founding and serving as Editor-in-Chief of The EvoLLLution, an online newspaper developed by Modern Campus to create a conversation hub focused on non-traditional higher education and the transforming postsecondary marketplace. He also served as Senior Director for Marketing at Modern Campus, ensuring thought leadership assets align with industry trends.

He regularly speaks on topics related to the changing higher education environment at conferences across Canada and the United States, and hosts the EdUp PCO podcast focused on innovation and transformation in Professional, Continuing & Online Education.

## Featured Speakers



**Michael Burt**

**Vice-President, The  
Conference Board of  
Canada**

Michael Burt leads several knowledge areas at The Conference Board of Canada, including economics, education and skills, and health. In his role, Mr. Burt oversees the convening and research activities that these knowledge areas undertake, and The Conference Board's contributions to the Future Skills Centre. Mr. Burt has 25 years of experience conducting and leading research activities and has a master's degree in economics from the University of Toronto, an MBA from the University of Windsor, and has also completed the Chartered Financial Analyst program.



## **Mary Butler**

**President and CEO,  
New Brunswick  
Community College**

Mary Butler has worked in the public and private education sector in multiple jurisdictions. Central to her values and practice is her commitment to every individual's right and opportunity to reach their full potential. Mary has been with New Brunswick Community College (NBCC) since 2011 and the President and CEO since 2019. Under her leadership, the College has increased enrollment by over 33%; increased organizational efficiency and effectiveness through implementation of a lean management system; and bolstered financial sustainability of the College by 81%. Mary leads with a "people first" mantra. She initiated, and continues to champion, the transformation of NBCC's long-standing academic model to better meet the needs of students, employers, and communities.

Mary is an active volunteer with Meals on Wheels and currently serves as a member of NBBC (New Brunswick Business Council), BHER (Business + Higher Education Roundtable), TEC Canada (The Executive Committee), as well as partner with C2R2 (Canadian Colleges for a Resilient Recovery). She is also an active board member with ECN (Education Computer Network) and ACA (Atlantic Colleges Association). In 2023, Mary was named one of Atlantic Canada's Top 50 CEOs by Atlantic Business Magazine.



## **Michael Crowe**

**Vice-President  
Academic, Bow Valley  
College**

Michael Crowe brings over 20 years of experience in the post-secondary sector in Canada, and is currently serving as the Vice President, Academic at Bow Valley College in Calgary, Alberta. Under his leadership, Bow Valley College has recently launched Pivot-Ed, a transformative approach to competency-based upskilling and reskilling. Through this initiative, Bow Valley College is bridging the emerging skills gap by strengthening ties between academia and industry and ensuring that learners have a seamless path from classroom to career. This innovative work is shaping the future of college education and how employers can address current workforce development challenges.





**Robert  
Greenwood,  
PhD**

**Deputy Minister of  
Rural and Regional  
Development and  
Engagement and  
Chief Economic  
Development Officer,  
Government of  
Newfoundland and  
Labrador**

Rob Greenwood is Deputy Minister, Rural and Regional Development and Engagement, and Chief Economic Development Officer, for the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador (NL). He is leading NL Futures, an initiative to support labour market strategy, productivity and rural / regional development capacity in NL.

Previously, he served as Associate Vice President (Public Engagement and External Relations) at Memorial University and was founding Director of the Leslie Harris Centre of Regional Policy and Development. Rob also served as a Director and Assistant Deputy Minister of Policy in economic development departments in NL and in Saskatchewan. In Saskatchewan he led the development of the provincial economic strategy and served as VP Corporate Development for Information Services Corporation. In NL, he was Director of Research and Principal Author of the 1995 Report of the Task Force on Community Economic Development and led the process to establish Regional Economic Development Boards in 20 Economic Zones. He also led the development of a strategy for small-scale manufacturing in NL. Rob holds a Ph.D. in Industrial and Business Studies from the University of Warwick, England.



**Valerie Walker**

**CEO, Business +  
Higher Education  
Roundtable**

Val Walker leads the Business + Higher Education Roundtable (BHER), a non-partisan, not-for-profit organization that brings together some of Canada's largest companies and leading post-secondary institutions. As CEO, Val drives BHER's strategic direction, steers member and stakeholder relations, and leads a high-performing team committed to creating opportunity through collaboration in Canada's skills, talent, and innovation ecosystems.

Val was inaugural co-chair of the Future Skills Council, a group established by the Government of Canada to advise on national and regional skills development and training priorities. She has also served as a member of the Guiding Coalition to the Government of Alberta's Alberta 2030: Building Skills for Jobs initiative and of Employment and Social Development Canada's Advisory Committee on Learning.

Prior to leading BHER, Val was Vice President, Innovation and Skills, at the Business Council of Canada where BHER was founded, and was Director of Policy at Mitacs. She holds a PhD from McGill University and is an alumna of the Government of Canada's Recruitment of Policy Leaders Program.



## **Jagdish Yadav, PhD**

**Education Sector  
Advisor, Economic  
Development and  
Culture, City of  
Toronto**

Dr. Jagdish Yadav is a skilled professional specializing in post-secondary education, workforce development, and economic development at the City of Toronto. He promotes collaboration among institutions, industries, and communities, leveraging innovative strategies to enhance student experiences and bridge academia with industry. His outstanding contributions to international student support have received global acclaim. Dr. Yadav holds a Ph.D. from the University of Edinburgh, a Master of Biotechnology from the University of Toronto, and a Master of Science from Kurukshetra University, India. He has been a Commonwealth Fellow (1993-1997).

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**Program**

# // Wayfinding and Accessibility

**1 Elevators**  
Access to Level 2  
**Epic Hall and Novella**

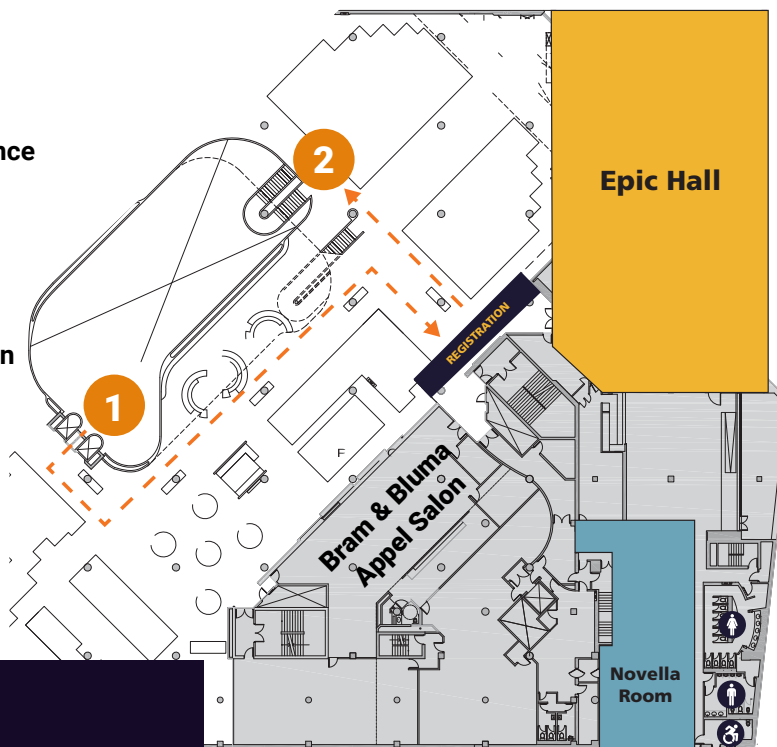
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**Epic Hall and Novella**



## Level 1

**1 Elevators**  
Access to Level 1  
**Lobby / Main Entrance and Beeton Hall**

**2 Stairs**  
Access to Level 1  
**Lobby / Main Entrance and Beeton Hall**



## Level 2

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- Elevators are located on level 1 and will take guests to Level 2 for Epic Hall.
- Accessible washroom located within the Bram & Bluma Appel Salon.
- Accessible ramp is available for the stage.



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Men's Washroom



Gender Neutral / Accessible Washroom

## Conference Tracks

 <b>Enrolment Energizers</b>	 <b>Productivity Partners</b>	 <b>Instructional Innovators</b>	 <b>Career Catalysts</b>
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Time	Session
8:45 am– 9:30 am	<b>Registration &amp; Light Breakfast</b>
	<b>Epic Hall</b>
9:30 am– 10:10 am	<b>Welcome &amp; Opening Remarks</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Amrit Ahluwalia</b>, Executive Director of Continuing Studies, Western University</li> <li>• <b>Anthony Gladue</b>, Kizhaay Anishinaabe Niin Coordinator, Toronto Council Fire Native Cultural Centre</li> <li>• <b>Robert Luke</b>, CEO, eCampusOntario</li> <li>• <b>Rebecca Jamieson</b>, President and CEO, Six Nations Polytechnic</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Ann Marie Vaughan</b>, President and CEO, Humber Polytechnic</li> </ul>
	<b>Epic Hall</b>
10:10 am– 10:50 am	<b>Staffing Ontario's Advanced Manufacturing Plan: Lessons from Regional Industry Councils</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vincent Caron</b>, Vice President, Ontario Government Relations and Member Advocacy, Canadian Manufacturers &amp; Exporters</li> </ul>
10:50 am– 11:00 am	<b>Break</b>
	<b>Epic Hall</b> 
11:00 am– 11:45 am	<b>Panel Discussion – Talent for Innovation in Canada</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Arvind Gupta</b>, Professor, University of Toronto</li> <li>• <b>Jeannette Hanna</b>, Chief Strategist, Trajectory</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Ann Marie Vaughan</b>, President and CEO, Humber Polytechnic</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Valerie Walker</b>, Chief Executive Officer, Business + Higher Education Roundtable</li> </ul>
11:45 am– 11:55 am	<b>Break</b>
	<b>Epic Hall</b> 
11:55 am– 12:25 pm	<b>Living and Working Together: Rapid and Essential Anishinabek Micro-credentials for Employers of Manitoulin Island (Mnidoo Mnising)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Beverley Roy</b>, President, Kenjgewin Teg</li> </ul>
12:25 pm– 1:30 pm	<b>Lunch</b>

Time	Session		
1:30 pm– 2:20 pm	Epic Hall <span style="float: right;">CC</span>		Beeton Hall <span style="float: right;">II</span>
	<b>Panel Discussion – Bridging the Gap: Strategic Collaborations Between Post-secondary Institutions and Industry Associations to Shape the Future of Education</b>		<b>What Micro-credentials, Lemonade Stands, and Farmers’ Markets Have in Common: A Step Inside the Broker Marketing Academy</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Lindsey Carrier</b>, Manager of Micro-credentials, Seneca Polytechnic</li> <li>• <b>Jennifer Wright</b>, Executive Director, Canadian Agricultural Human Resource Council (CAHRC)</li> <li>• <b>Samina Tajwar</b>, Chief Growth Officer, Palette Skills</li> </ul> <b>Moderator:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Darian Kovacs</b>, Partner, Jelly Academy, Jelly Digital Marketing &amp; PR and Chair, Digital Marketing Sector Council</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Catherine Bojda</b>, Marketing Manager, B2B P&amp;C Marketing, CAA Insurance</li> <li>• <b>Mike Leon</b>, Managing Director, Brand Heroes Inc.</li> </ul>
2:20 pm– 2:30 pm	<b>Break</b>		
2:30 pm– 3:10 pm	Epic Hall <span style="float: right;">PP</span>	Novella <span style="float: right;">EE</span>	Beeton Hall <span style="float: right;">II</span>
	<b>New Solutions to Old Problems: How Micro-credentials Help Solve Canada’s Productivity Challenge</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Valerie Walker</b>, CEO, Business + Higher Education Roundtable</li> <li>• <b>Matthew McKean</b>, Chief Research &amp; Development Officer, Business + Higher Education Roundtable</li> </ul> <b>Moderator:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Robert Luke, CEO, eCampusOntario</li> </ul>	<b>Workshop – Exploring Micro-credential Enrollment with Strategic Foresight</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Laura Viselli</b>, Senior Manager, Research and Foresight, eCampusOntario</li> <li>• <b>Elisa Arnold</b>, Associate, Research and Foresight, eCampusOntario</li> <li>• <b>Graeme Cannon</b>, Associate, Research and Foresight, eCampusOntario</li> <li>• <b>Iris Elliott</b>, Associate, Research and Foresight, eCampusOntario</li> </ul>	<b>Workshop – Building the Future of eLearning: Collaborative Course Design for Rapid, Agile Training Programs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Amanda Douglas-Young</b>, CEO and Co-Founder, eClarity and KnowledgeNow</li> <li>• <b>Mark Borden</b>, Director of Learning Technology, eClarity and KnowledgeNow</li> <li>• <b>Deanna Di Vito</b>, Digital Learning Associate, eCampusOntario</li> </ul>
3:10 pm– 3:20 pm	<b>Break</b>		
3:20 pm– 4:00 pm	Epic Hall <span style="float: right;">PP</span>		
	<b>Les micro-titres de compétences francophones : analyse récente du marché en Ontario</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Katie Ablett, MBA, MCATD, PMP</b>, Directrice, Centre de développement professionnel, Collège universitaire Glendon, Université York</li> <li>• <b>Caroline Saint-Mleux</b>, Gestionnaire, Compétences, Impact ON</li> </ul>		

Time	Session
4:00 pm – 4:10 pm	Break
	Epic Hall <span style="float: right;">EE</span>
4:10 pm– 4:50 pm	<b>Adult Training and the National Job Bank</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Kelly Archer</b>, Director, Employment and Social Development Canada</li> </ul>
	Epic Hall
4:50 pm– 5:00 pm	<b>Day 1 Wrap-up &amp; Day 2 Preview</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Amrit Ahluwalia</b>, Executive Director of Continuing Studies, Western University</li> </ul>
5:00 pm– 6:00 pm	Networking Reception

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<b>EE</b>	<b>Enrolment Energizers</b>	<b>PP</b>	<b>Productivity Partners</b>	<b>II</b>	<b>Instructional Innovators</b>	<b>CC</b>	<b>Career Catalysts</b>
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9:30 am–9:40 am	<b>Opening Remarks</b>		
	<b>Amrit Ahluwalia</b> , Executive Director of Continuing Studies, Western University		
	<b>Epic Hall</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>PP</b></span>		
9:40 am–10:20 am	<b>Fireside Chat – Shaping the Future of Work: Harnessing Technology to Unite Industry, Education, and Talent</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Hamoon Ekhtiari</b>, CEO, FutureFit AI</li> <li>• <b>Robert Luke</b>, CEO, eCampusOntario</li> </ul>		
10:20 am–10:30 am	<b>Break</b>		
	<b>Epic Hall</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>PP</b></span>	<b>Novella</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>CC</b></span>	<b>Beeton Hall</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>PP</b></span>
10:30 am–11:10 am	<b>Proposing Solutions to Industry Challenges: How Sectors Converged and Collaborated to Create an Innovative Micro-credential in Advanced Manufacturing</b>	<b>Upskilling Through Micro-credentials at First Nations Technical Institute (FNTI)</b>	<b>Programme bilingue de développement de carrière en Ontario</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dave Smiderle, PhD</b>, Associate Dean, Business Development and Program Optimization, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology, Humber Polytechnic</li> <li>• <b>Joëlle Deschambault</b>, Manager, Programs and Partnerships, Colleges and Institutes Canada (CICan)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr. Victoria Jackson</b>, Program Manager, Micro-credential Programs, First Nations Technical Institute</li> <li>• <b>Tayohseron:tye Nikki Auten</b>, Instructor, First Nations Technical Institute</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Shana Baptiste-Iseyemi, BA, BEd, CCS, CRS</b>, Coordinatrice de carrière, Collège universitaire Glendon, Université York</li> <li>• <b>Katie Ablett, MBA, MCATD, PMP</b>, Directrice, Centre de développement professionnel, Collège universitaire Glendon, Université York</li> </ul>
11:10 am–11:20 am	<b>Break</b>		



Time	Session		
<p>11:20 am– 12:20 pm</p>	<p><b>Epic Hall</b> <span>II</span></p>	<p><b>Novella</b> <span>II</span></p>	<p><b>Beeton Hall</b> <span>PP</span></p>
	<p><b>Workshop – Deconstructing Demand and Development of Skills in Toronto: A Case Study Approach</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Jagdish Yadav, PhD</b>, Education Sector Advisor, Economic Development and Culture, City of Toronto</li> <li>• <b>Leslie Fink</b>, Manager, Sector Development Office, Economic Development and Culture, City of Toronto</li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop – Playing to Win! LIPHA: An Innovative Game-Based Micro-credential to Address Readiness for Practice in Health and Long-Term Care</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Jumper Minoza, MScN, RN</b>, Professor, Seneca Naji Foundation School of Nursing, Seneca Polytechnic</li> <li>• <b>Melissa Tafler, MSW, RSW</b>, Knowledge Broker, Ontario Centres for Learning, Research &amp; Innovation in Long-Term Care at Baycrest</li> <li>• <b>Raquel Meyer, RN, PhD</b>, Director, Ontario Centres for Learning, Research &amp; Innovation in Long-Term Care at Baycrest</li> <li>• <b>Paula Mastrilli, RN, MScN, PhD</b>, CLRI, Baycrest Consultant</li> </ul>	<p><b>Bilingual Workshop – L’utilisation de l’intelligence artificielle pour optimiser l’efficacité de travail // The Use of Artificial Intelligence to Optimize Work Efficiency</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Younes Ismaili</b>, Lecturer and Corporate Trainer, Collège La Cité and Collège Universel</li> </ul>
<p>12:20 pm– 1:20 pm</p>	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>		
<p>1:20 pm– 2:00 pm</p>	<p><b>Epic Hall</b> <span>CC</span></p>	<p><b>Novella</b> <span>PP</span></p>	<p><b>Beeton Hall</b> <span>PP</span></p>
	<p><b>Micro-credentials for Evolving Community Roles in Social and Health Services</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Miranda Mckenzie, M.Éd.</b>, Instructional Designer, Laurentian University</li> <li>• <b>Christina Sckopke</b>, Manager, Micro-credentials and Non-credit Programming, Laurentian University</li> </ul>	<p><b>Developing a Micro-credential in Health Information Management (HIM) in the Midst of Regional Digital Transformation in Healthcare</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr. Michael S. Dohan</b>, Associate Professor, Lakehead University</li> </ul>	<p><b>Creating a Nonprofit Management Essentials Micro-credential</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Alison Peek</b>, Micro-credential Administrator, Trent University</li> <li>• <b>Carey McMaster</b>, Organizational Development Specialist, Traicon</li> <li>• <b>Laurie Dillon-Schalk</b>, Executive Director, Community Foundation of Kawartha Lakes</li> </ul>
<p>2:00 pm– 2:10 pm</p>	<p><b>Break</b></p>		

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2:10 pm – 2:50 pm	Epic Hall <span style="float: right;">PP</span>	Novella <span style="float: right;">II</span>	Beeton Hall <span style="float: right;">CC</span>
	<p><b>Developing Micro-credentials with Industries to Bridge Skill Gaps</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr. Matt Rempel</b>, Associate Vice Provost, Academic and Industry Integrations, Sheridan College</li> <li>• <b>Toma Hussain</b>, Programming Specialist, Corporate Training and Community Partnerships, Sheridan College</li> </ul>	<p><b>A Strategic View to Micro-credentials</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr. Kari Rasmussen</b>, Director, Teaching and Learning, Nipissing University</li> <li>• <b>Stephanie Vennard Hummel</b>, MEd, Coordinator, Nipissing University</li> </ul>	<p><b>Bridging Workforce Gaps: The Transformative Power of Micro-credentials</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Alec Bauer</b>, Program Development Officer, Loyalist College</li> <li>• <b>Graham Copestake</b>, Learning Development Officer, Loyalist College</li> </ul>
2:50 pm – 3:00 pm	<b>Break</b>		
3:00 pm – 3:40 pm	Epic Hall <span style="float: right;">CC</span>	Novella <span style="float: right;">II</span>	Beeton Hall <span style="float: right;">EE</span>
	<p><b>Innovating for Impact: Advancing Talent Development in Auto and Mobility</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Carli Fink, CCDP</b>, Strategist, Workforce Planning and Talent Strategy, Ontario Centre of Innovation – Ontario Vehicle Innovation Network (OVIN)</li> <li>• <b>Alèque Juneau</b>, Project Lead, Workforce Development, Ontario Centre of Innovation – Ontario Vehicle Innovation Network (OVIN)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Bridging the Gaps : Scaling Rates of Connection between Micro-credential Training Providers, Prospective Learners, and Employers in Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Michael Chrobok</b>, Micro-credentials Program Lead, eCampusOntario</li> <li>• <b>Don Eldridge</b>, Manager, Collaborative Sector Engagement, eCampusOntario</li> </ul>	<p><b>Structured Networking – Bridging Skill Gaps and Building Futures, Together</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Deanna Di Vito</b>, Digital Learning Associate, eCampusOntario</li> <li>• <b>Chris Fernlund</b>, Manager, Technology and Open Access, eCampusOntario</li> <li>• <b>Andrea Krasznai</b>, Digital Learning Associate, eCampusOntario</li> <li>• <b>Moh Shakourirad</b>, Digital Programs Lead, eCampusOntario</li> </ul>
3:40 pm – 3:50 pm	<b>Break</b>		

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3:50 pm– 4:40 pm	<b>Panel Discussion – Building a Connected Skills-Based Ecosystem</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Michael Burt</b>, BComm, MBA, MA, Vice President, The Conference Board of Canada</li> <li>• <b>Mary Butler</b>, President and CEO, New Brunswick Community College</li> <li>• <b>Michael Crowe</b>, Vice-President Academic, Bow Valley College</li> <li>• <b>Robert Greenwood, PhD</b>, Deputy Minister of Rural and Regional Development and Engagement and Chief Economic Development Officer, Government of Newfoundland and Labrador</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Robert Luke</b>, CEO, eCampusOntario</li> </ul>
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4:40 pm– 4:50 pm	<b>Closing Remarks &amp; Farewell</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Amrit Ahluwalia</b>, Executive Director of Continuing Studies, Western University</li> <li>• <b>Robert Luke</b>, CEO, eCampusOntario</li> </ul>



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