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**Making an Ontario  
Aerospace Cluster a Reality**

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### Agenda

- 8:00am – 8:30am      **REGISTRATION AND BUFFET BREAKFAST**
- 8:30am – 8:40am      **WELCOMING REMARKS**  
**Eugene Lang**, Co-Founder, Canada 2020
- 8:40am – 9:00am      **CONTEXT SETTING**  
Industrial Clusters: What they are and Why they Matter?  
**David Wolfe**, Co-Director of the Program on Globalization and Regional Innovation Systems (PROGRIS), Munk School for Global Affairs, and Royal Bank Chair in Public and Economic Policy, University of Toronto
- 9:00am – 9:50am      **OPENING KEYNOTE**  
Reflections on the Montreal Aerospace Cluster and the International Competitive Environment  
**Suzanne M. Benoît**, President, Aero Montreal
- 9:50am – 10:15am      **KEYNOTE: OVERVIEW OF THE SECTOR**  
Evolution of the Ontario Aerospace Sector  
**Rod Jones**, President, Ontario Aerospace Council
- 10:15am – 10:30am      **NETWORKING BREAK**
- 10:30am – 11:45am      **PANEL I: FROM SECTOR TO CLUSTER**  
Representatives from Ontario-based aerospace companies and the CAW present on the sector's growth potential as they see it—including employment growth—and constraints on growth. What is needed to grow aerospace in Ontario to its potential?  
Panelists:
  - **Larry Fitzgerald**, Site Leader/General Manager, Honeywell Canada
  - **Simon Roberts**, VP and General Manager, Turboprops and Toronto Operations, Bombardier Aerospace
  - **Jim Stanford**, Canadian Auto Workers
  - **Tim Whittier**, Director, Government Relations, Goodrich Landing GearModerator: **Don Newman**, Chair, Canada 2020
- 11:45am – 12:30pm      **LUNCHEON KEYNOTE**  
Luncheon speech from the Honourable **Brad Duguid**, Minister of Economic Development and Innovation. Moderated Q&A to follow.



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12:30pm – 1:20pm

**BUFFET NETWORKING LUNCH**

1:20pm – 2:25pm

**PANEL II: PROGRAMS AND POLICY FRAMEWORKS: THE ROLE AND THINKING OF GOVERNMENTS IN AEROSPACE AND INDUSTRIAL CLUSTERS**

Senior government officials discuss their organization's thinking about the Ontario aerospace sector, the importance they attach to clustering in economic development, and any cluster-related initiatives existent or underway. What partnerships do we need to move Ontario aerospace from sector to cluster?

Panelists

- **Marta Morgan**, ADM, Industry Sector, Industry Canada
- **Mahmood Nanji**, ADM, Economic Development Division, Ontario Ministry of Economic Development and Innovation
- **Michael Williams**, General Manager, Economic Development and Culture Division, City of Toronto

Moderator: **David Watters**, President, Global Advantage and former ADM, Finance Canada

2:25pm – 3:05pm

**KEYNOTE**

The Honourable **Gary Goodyear**, Minister of State (Science and Technology and Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario)

3:05pm – 4:05pm

**PANEL III: AEROSPACE RESEARCH AND TRAINING IN ONTARIO'S UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES**

Representatives from Ontario universities and colleges with substantial programs in aerospace research, engineering and technical trades, present on how they are collaborating with firms on research and labour supply issues, and their visions for the future of aerospace technology research and training at their institutions. How can educational institutions support the development of an Ontario aerospace cluster?

Panelists

- **Ann Buller**, President & CEO, Centennial College
- **Mohamed Lachemi**, Professor and Dean, Faculty of Engineering, Architecture and Science, Ryerson University
- **David Zingg**, Director, Institute for Aerospace Studies, University of Toronto
- **Janusz Kozinski**, Dean of the Faculty of Science and Engineering at York University

Moderator: **David Wolfe**, PROGRIS



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4:05pm – 4:25pm

#### NETWORKING BREAK

4:25pm – 4:40pm

#### KEYNOTE

The Federal Aerospace Review and the Ontario Aerospace Sector

**Maryse Harvey**, VP, Public Affairs, Aerospace Industries Association of Canada

4:40pm – 5:25pm

#### MODERATED DISCUSSION

Taking Flight: Conference Summation and the Way Forward

The facilitator wraps up the day's discussions, identifies the areas of consensus and missing pieces needed to move from sector to cluster, and proposes an ongoing process to flesh out an action plan with input from all participants.

Facilitator: **Marcel Côté**, Senior Partner and co-founder, Secor Consulting

5:25pm – 5:30pm

#### CLOSING REMARKS

Canada 2020 and PROGRIS

5:30pm – 6:30pm

#### COCKTAIL RECEPTION