

New Investment Horizons and Economic Trends in the mid-market M&A Sector

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ACG presents the **5th Annual Ottawa Capital Connection Conference 2024**.

The Conference will kick off with a Welcome Reception for Speakers, Sponsors and Conference attendees - on Wednesday, April 24th.

The Conference takes place on Thursday April 25th from 8.00 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2024

TIME	TOPIC	INFO
6:00 - 9:00pm	Welcome Reception	Welcome Reception located in The Rotunda of the Museum of Nature

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024

TIME	TOPIC	INFO
8:30 - 8:40am	Welcome Remarks	Committee Co-Chairs Ross Gilchrist – Managing Director, Corporate Finance, <i>Bank of Montreal</i> Stephan May – Managing Partner, <i>Welch Capital Partners</i>
8:45 - 9:35am	KEYNOTE #1: Export Development Canada – Global Economic Outlook	Moderator: David Clarke – Head Government Affairs, <i>TMX Group</i> Speaker: Stuart Bergman – Chief Economist & Vice President, <i>EDC</i>
9:40 - 10:25am	PANEL #1: Indigenous Investing in the private markets	Moderator: Stephan May – Managing Partner, <i>Welch Capital Partners</i> Panelists: Jeff Cyr – Managing Partner & Co-Founder, <i>Raven Indigenous Outcome Funds</i> Monika Wilson – Vice-President, <i>Fort McKay Landing</i> Sam Damm – President, <i>Foxwise Technologies</i>
10:30 - 11:15am	PANEL #2: Strategic Acquisitions in the Tech Sector	Moderator: Ruby Williams – Partner, M&A Advisory, <i>Deloitte</i> Panelists: Kevin Ford – CEO, <i>Calian</i> Patrick Houston – CFO, <i>Calian</i> Todd Richardson – CFO, <i>Harris Computer</i>
11:15 - 11:35am	BREAK	
11:40 - 12:25pm	PANEL #3: Impact of AI across Deal Making	Moderator: Lisa Chamandy – Chief Knowledge & Innovation Officer, <i>BLG</i> Panelists: Tim Dandurand – Chief Information Officer, <i>Novacap</i> Dr. Varun Perumal C – Chief Scientific Officer and Director, <i>Unmodal Research Inc.</i> Colum Elliott-Kelly – CEO, <i>Arctic AI</i>
12:30 - 1:30pm	LUNCH & KEYNOTE PRESENTATION: Growing/entering new markets through acquisition vs. green fielding operations.	Moderator: Aditya Sapru – Regional Vice President - Ontario, <i>BMO Corporate Finance</i> Panelists: Eric Pham-dinh – CEO, <i>Nordik Windows and Doors</i> Francois Godin – CEO, <i>Classic Fire & Life Safety Inc.</i> George Rossolatos – CEO and Managing Partner, <i>Canadian Business Growth Fund</i>
1:30 - 1:45pm	Closing Remarks & Networking	Committee Co-Chairs Ross Gilchrist – Managing Director, Corporate Finance, <i>Bank of Montreal</i> Stephan May – Managing Partner, <i>Welch Capital Partners</i>

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