

2018 ECONOMIC SUMMIT SCHEDULE



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24 – DAY ONE

8:30 AM **BONUS SESSION**

Tech Showcase

With a focus on “at” or “near revenue” products & services this year’s showcase will feature seven local companies who have successfully moved past early-stage prototyping on their march to commercialization.

Sponsored by **COASTAL COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION**

10:30 AM **TRADESHOW OPENS**

12:00 PM **OPENING LUNCHEON**

Presenter – Honourable John Horgan, Premier of British Columbia

1:30 PM **FOUR CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

#1 ISLAND GOOD IS HERE!

- Bruce Williams, Spark Strategic Group, Moderator
- Tammy Averill, Marketing Manager, Country Grocer
- Dan Dagg, President & CEO, Hot House Marketing and H2 Digital
- Jeremy Dunn, Director, Community Relations and Public Affairs, Marine Harvest Group

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#2 Marijuana – Weeding through the medical issues and upcoming legalization challenges

- Matthew Larsen, Senior Associate, Fasken Martineau DuMoulin LLP, Moderator
- Dr. Paul Farnan, Clinical Associate Professor, UBC
- James Gould, Managing Partner, HHGB Lawyers

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#3 Futurescape 2.0 – Now What?

- Dr. Alan Winter, Innovation Commissioner, British Columbia, Moderator
- Graham Truax, Executive in Residence, Innovation Island
- Anya MacLeod, Thoughtexchange
- Shawn Adrian, Input Logic

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#4 Spotlight on Alberni-Clayoquot – Pulling Together

- Pat Deakin, Economic Development Office, City of Port Alberni, Moderator
- Trevor Cootes, Councillor, Huu ay aht First Nation
- Gord John, MP, Alberni-Clayoquot
- David McCormick, Director, Public Relations & Business Development, Port Alberni Port Authority
- Josie Osborne, Mayor, District of Tofino

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3:00 PM

TRADESHOW – NETWORKING BREAK

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3:30 PM

FOUR CONCURRENT SESSIONS

#5 Bouncing Higher – The resilient entrepreneur

- Clemens Rettich, Senior Manager, Business Consulting, Grant Thornton, Moderator
- Jim Hogan, CEO, VMAC
- Gary Powers, President, Promac Manufacturing Ltd.
- Jessica Schacht, Co-founder, Ampersand Distillery
- Jeremy Schacht, Co-founder, Ampersand Distillery
- Victor Vesely, Co-owner & Founder, Westholme Tea Company (Cowichan Valley)

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#6 Marine Renewable Energy – What’s Working & What Isn’t on Vancouver Island

- Naomi Tabata, Manager, Centre for Applied Research, Technology and Innovation North Island College, Moderator
- Voytek Klaptocz, Managing Director and Co-founder, Mavi Innovations Inc.
- Marc Langevin, President & Owner, NFE Manufacturing Inc.
- Brad Buckham, University of Victoria

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#7 #METOO – Mitigating & Managing Harassment in the Workplace

- Katie Bishop, District VP, TD Commercial Banking, Moderator
- Christine Willow, Partner, Chemistry Consulting
- Al Siebring, Councillor, District of North Cowichan
- Lisa Southern, Barrister & Solicitor, Southern Law

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#8 Island Wood Industries Initiative

- Bret Torok-Both, VIEA Director, Moderator
- Fred Chinn, General Manager of Fibre Supply, Western Forest Products
- Bob Lindstrom, Manager, BC Pulp & Paper Coalition
- Alan Rudson, Registered Professional Forester, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, Nanaimo

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5:30 PM COCKTAIL HOUR

Featuring Vancouver Island beers and wines.

6:30 PM SUMMIT DINNER, WELCOME & PRESENTATION

2018 Economic Report

Presenter – Susan Mowbray, Manager, Economics and Research Consulting, MNP

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8:30 PM DESSERT RECEPTION

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25 – DAY TWO

7:00 AM **TRADESHOW OPENS**

7:30 AM **BREAKFAST KEYNOTE**

Presenter - Celeste Haldane, Chief Commissioner, BC Treaty Commission

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9:00 AM **FOUR CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

#9 Foreign Trade, Part I

- Dan Hurley, Vice-President, Advancement and External Relations, Pearson College UWC, Moderator
- Honourable Navdeep Bains, Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development
- Ewan D. Moir, President and CEO, Port of Nanaimo
- Bill Collins, Principal, CollinsWorks

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#10 Cannabis – Business Development and Economic Impact

- Peter Guo, BC Leader for Enterprise Risk Services & Cannabis Industry Services, MNP LLP., Moderator
- Katrina Marquez, Senior Patient Services Manager, Tilray
- Jeff Guignard, Executive Director of ABLE BC (The Alliance of Beverage Licensees)
- Michael Tan, Executive Director, Cannabis Division, BC Liquor Distribution Branch

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#11 Future of Electric Transportation

- John Hankins, Executive Director, Mid-Island Business Initiative, Moderator
- Megan Lohmann, Head of Community Energy Management, Community Energy Association
- Rory Gattens, Business Development Manager, Flo
- Kelly Hawes, CEO, ColdStar Solutions Inc.

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#12 Marine Sector – Labour

- Kevin Onclin, General Manager & CEO, Badinotti Net Services Canada, Moderator
- Buki Hough, Campus Director, Western Maritime Institute
- Mark Collins, CEO, BC Ferries
- Captain Joanne McNish, Regional Director - Fleet, Canadian Coast Guard
- Yvette Myers, Executive Director of Oceans Protection Plan - Pacific Region, Transport Canada

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11:00 AM FOUR CONCURRENT SESSIONS

#13 The Inherent Wisdom, Cultural Importance & Economic Benefits of First Nation Tourism

- JP Obbagy, Tourism Development Officer, Homalco Wildlife Tours Inc., Moderator
- Lillian Hunt, Director of VIEA and Independent Tour Guide in Alert Bay
- Erralyn Thomas, Councillor, Snuneymuxw First Nation
- Trevor Cootes, Councillor, Huu ay aht First Nation
- Kelsie Robinson, Councillor, Homalco First Nation

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#14 Safe Communities – Essential for Everyone

- Catherine Holt, CEO, Victoria Chamber, Moderator
- David LaBerge, Manager, Community Safety, City of Nanaimo
- Don Evans, Executive Director, Our Place Society
- Don Hatton, Principal, Hatton Insurance Agency

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#15 Foreign Trade – Part II

- Mark C. Smith, Chief Experience Officer, Query Customer Experience, Moderator
- Bill Collins, Principal, CollinsWorks Ventures
- Katrin Harry, Principal, ABM/Raven Events
- John McCannel, Principal, JAM Strategies

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16 Investing in the Marine Safety System

- Julie Scurr, Associate, Coast Salish Insurance, Moderator
- Chief Russ Chipps, Beecher Bay First Nation
- David Heap, Regional Director, Integrated Business Management, Canadian Coast Guard, Western Region
- Mike Lowry, Western Canada Marine Response Corporation
- Daniel Reid, Manager, Environmental Response- Ocean Protection Plan

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12:30 PM **CLOSING LUNCHEON & PRESENTATION**

Presenter – Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson, Minister of Fisheries, Oceans and the Canadian Coast Guard

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2:00 PM **12TH ANNUAL 'STATE OF THE ISLAND' ECONOMIC SUMMIT CONCLUDES**

2:30 PM **BONUS SESSION**

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