

AIC2020 *Web Conference*

Investment Environment for Agri-Food Research and Innovation

SPECIAL STUDENT RATE

We are happy to provide a special student rate for our series of web-based conference sessions. The Agri-food Innovation Council (AIC) will seek to address where our agri-food research and innovation sector is currently and changes that can be made to help it achieve its full potential.

Each 90-minute session will feature industry experts, senior government officials and more. Attendees will leave with a deeper understanding of our sector's investment climate, and a greater appreciation for the potential return on agri-food research investment.

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SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

SESSION #1 - Setting the stage: Importance of investments in agri-food research and innovation and their Rol

November 10 1:00 - 2:30 pm ET	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rebecca Clarke, Vice-President and Treasurer, Farm Credit Canada• Tom Rosser, Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic Policy Branch, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada• Andrew Schrumm, Senior Manager, Research, RBC Thought Leadership
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SESSION #2 - Is there an investment gap for agri-food research and innovation?

November 17 1:00 - 2:30 pm ET	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Laurie Dmytryshyn, Chief of Equity Investments, PIC Investments• Lynne Godlien, CEO, Perennia Food and Agriculture• Dave Smardon, President and CEO, BioEnterprise• Alison Sunstrum, Founder & CEO, CNSRVX Inc
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SESSION #3 - Venture capital and banking: How they work and what they want

November 24 1:00 - 2:30 pm ET	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Warren Bergen, President, AVAC Ltd.• Eric Dillon, CEO, Conexus Credit Union• Andrew Heintzman, Managing Partner, InvestEco Capital Corp
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SESSION #4 - A better investment climate: Government investment and taxation

December 1 1:00 - 2:30 pm ET	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Emily Gray, Agriculture Policy Analyst, OECD• Carla Ventin, Senior Vice President, Food and Consumer Products of Canada• Jesse Vincent-Herscovici, Vice President, Business Development, Mitacs• Lee Ann Walker, Assistant Deputy Minister, Research and Corporate Services Division, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
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