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BCCC 2025 SENIOR ROUNDTABLE

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2025 BRAZIL-CANADA SENIOR ROUNDTABLE

AGENDA

Wednesday, September 10, 2025



- **10:00 AM - Welcome Remarks**
 - Peter Hawkins, BCCC Co-Chair (MELLOHAWK Logistics)
 - Greg McNab, Partner, Dentons
 - Salo Rapoport, Co-Chair BCCC T&I Committee and Chief Strategy Officer at Cescon Barrieu
 - Paola Saad, Co-Chair BCCC T&I Committee and President of Mandala Group
- **10:05 AM - Government of Brazil: Overview of Canada-Brazil Bilateral Commercialization**
 - Ambassador Enio Cordeiro, Consul General of Brazil in Toronto
- **10:15 AM - Setting the Context: Canada-Mercosur Trade Relations**
 - Ambassador Emanuel Kamarianakis, Ambassador of Canada to Brazil
- **10:25 AM - ApexBrasil**
 - Ana Repezza, Business Director at ApexBrasil
- **10:35 AM - Open Dialogue - Investment Opportunities: Risks in Context**
 - Andrea Gardella, Alcance Solutions - Moderator
 - Peter Hawkins, BCCC - Moderator

Topics: - Areas of alignment with Mercosur and Brazil;
- Investment interests and trade facilitation goals;
- Updates on regional economic diplomacy;
- Identifying next steps.

- **11:55 AM - Closing Remarks**
- **12:00 PM - End of the event**

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ATTENDEES LIST

**in alphabetical order*



- Ana Repezza, ApexBrasil
- Andrea Gardella, BCCC
- Antônio Igor Brandão, ApexBrasil
- Arnon Melo, MelloHawk Logistics
- Bernadette Fernandes, Varanda Network
- Brett McDermott, Mississauga Board of Trade
- Bruno Suppa
- Camila Maldi, Dentons
- Chris Cleghorn, Tash Family Food Trading
- Cinthya Ortiz, Government of Ontario
- Derlaine Brito, KPMG
- Eduardo Oliveira, BCBA
- Emanuel Figueira Junior, ApexBrasil
- Emmanuel Kamarianakis, Ambassador of Canada to the Federative Republic of Brazil
- Enio Cordeiro, Ambassador, Consulate of Brazil in Toronto
- Fabricio Forest, InvestRS
- Gabriel De Lucca, Alvarez & Marsal
- Greg McNab, Dentons
- Gustavo Bassetti, Just Climate
- Gustavo Costa de Souza, Invest MG
- Gustavo Ribeiro, ApexBrasil
- Jayne Dunlop, Just Climate
- Leonardo Enge, Consulate of Brazil in Toronto

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**in alphabetical order*



- Luciana Proença, InvestRS
- Luis Schuh, InvestRS
- Marcelo Sarkis, PrimalP
- Matthew Holmes, Canadian Chamber of Commerce
- Mauricio Santos, Cescon Barrieu
- Michael Kennedy, CIBC
- Murilo Torres, Staff
- Myles Lacavera, Gerdau
- Paola Saad, BCCC
- Paula Roberta Souza, ApexBrasil
- Paulo Leal, Gerdau
- Peter Hawkins, BCCC
- Ralph Chery, Investissement Québec
- Randall Vickerson, Solution Development Group
- Raquel Boechat, Canada Starthub – CEO
- Sabine Soumare, TMU
- Salo Rapoport, BCCC
- Sophia Magalhaes de Oliveira Kadri, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Brazil
- Stefania Tomé, Consulate of Brazil in Toronto
- Theresa Sapara, EY
- Vinicius Valerio Ferreira Júnior, Pontotel
- Warrington Ellacott, Canadian Association of Importers and Exporters

MESSAGE FROM OUR CO-CHAIRS



PETER HAWKINS
Co-Chair of the BCCC



DANIEL RICICA
Co-Chair of the BCCC

Dear partners and supporters

It is with great enthusiasm that we invite you to join us for the **Brazil Week in Toronto**, taking place on September 10 & 11, 2025.

This flagship initiative by the Brazil-Canada Chamber of Commerce - BCCC and ApexBrasil represents a unique opportunity to strengthen the economic and cultural bridge between Brazil and Canada. As we bring together business leaders, government officials, and innovators from across both countries, our goal is clear: to foster dialogue, facilitate partnerships, and showcase the remarkable potential of bilateral collaboration.

Brazil Week will highlight key sectors where our countries intersect while fostering meaningful networking, investment, and policy discussions. We are proud to support this platform that reflects the BCCC's mission: connecting ideas, people, and opportunities.

We invite you to explore the sponsorship opportunities outlined in this proposal and become an integral part of this landmark event. Together, we can drive new connections and lasting impact for the Brazil-Canada business corridor.

We look forward to welcoming you in September. ”

Warm regards,

Peter Hawkins & Daniel Ricica

Co-Chairs, Brazil-Canada Chamber of Commerce



ABOUT THE BCCC

The Brazil-Canada Chamber of Commerce - BCCC is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to fostering and strengthening the economic and commercial ties between Brazil and Canada. With a mission to promote bilateral trade, investment, and partnerships, the BCCC serves as a bridge between the two nations, helping businesses, organizations, and governments collaborate more effectively across borders.

By providing key resources, strategic insights, and valuable connections, the Chamber supports its members in expanding their commercial activities and achieving long-term success. For over 50 years, the BCCC has played a pivotal role in connecting leaders from the private and public sectors in Brazil and Canada. Through networking, advocacy, and market intelligence, the Chamber helps members identify opportunities, overcome challenges, and enhance their business interests.

With a strong focus on facilitating dialogue, the BCCC empowers companies to grow in dynamic, sustainable, and competitive markets. Its initiatives include industry-specific events, trade missions, policy advocacy, and thought leadership designed to drive impactful collaborations and foster innovation.



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ABOUT BRAZIL WEEK

Brazil Week in Toronto is a business and policy event co-hosted by the Brazil-Canada Chamber of Commerce - BCCC and ApexBrasil, dedicated to advancing the economic relationship between Brazil and Canada. Taking place on September 10 and 11, 2025, the major events will convene leaders from government and business for high-level discussions, strategic networking, and sector-driven collaboration.

Held in the heart of Toronto, the program will feature keynote addresses, panel discussions, and bilateral sessions with representatives from the Brazilian and Canadian private and public sectors, offering unique insights into trade policy, innovation strategy, sustainability, and international cooperation.

Whether you represent a multinational corporation, a growing startup, or a public institution, Brazil Week in Toronto offers an unparalleled opportunity to connect with key stakeholders and shape the future of Brazil-Canada relations.



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