



ExportON!: 1st Annual Georgia High-Tech I-85 Corridor B2B Partnership Conference (Virtual)

Date: Wednesday, June 2, 2021

Time: 2:00 pm - 4 pm EST

The Government of Ontario, Canada, and the *Georgia High-Tech I-85 Corridor* invite you to attend our 1st Annual Georgia High-Tech I-85 Corridor B2B Partnership Conference (virtual) scheduled for Wednesday, June 2, 2021 (2 pm to 4 pm EST).

The program seeks to create value-added partnerships between companies in Ontario and the *Georgia High-Tech I-85 Corridor*. The approach is done through introductions between new clients and/or supply chain contacts, knowledge transfer, and/or opportunities to invest in new geographies.

The event, the first of an annual series, will feature Georgia Lieutenant Governor Geoff Duncan and highlight *Georgia High-Tech I-85 Corridor* firms and senior executives from:

- Panasonic Corporation of North America
- Georgia Power
- The Georgia Center of Innovation for Energy Technology
- The Ray
- SELIT North America
- Ontario's Autonomous Vehicle Innovation Network

In addition, four (4) companies from Ontario and four (4) from Georgia will also make short elevator pitches to all speakers and attendees. The speakers from Georgia will also select some of the Ontario companies in attendance for a subsequent B2B program.

Georgia-based companies can register here:

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Register by: May 24, 2021

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Agenda

- Introduction: Richard Brooks, Economic Development, **Banks County**
- Moderator: Scott Ledford, President, **Development Authority of Banks County**
- 2:00 – 2:05 Welcome by Hosts
- Charles Turk, Chairman, **Banks County Commissioners**
- Mauricio Ospina, **Government of Ontario**
- 2:05 – 2:15 **Georgia Economic Overview**
- Lieutenant Governor Geoff Duncan, **Lieutenant Governor of Georgia**
- 2:15 – 2:25 **Ontario Automotive and Mobility Sector Overview**
- Raed Kadri, Head, **Ontario's Autonomous Vehicle Innovation Network (AVIN)**. AVIN capitalizes on the economic potential of automotive technologies and smart mobility solutions such as connected and autonomous vehicles (C/AVs) and enables the province's transportation and infrastructure networks to plan for and adapt to this evolution.
- 2:25 – 3:15 **Georgia Panel**
1. Rope Roberts, Community & Economic Development Manager for NE Georgia, **Georgia Power**. Georgia Power is our state's largest utility, proudly serving more than 2.4 million fellow Georgians with safe, clean, affordable and reliable electricity.
 2. Costas Simoglou, Director, **Georgia Center of Innovation for Energy Technology**. The GCIET helps the state maintain a leadership position in the fields of energy generation, transmission, distribution, storage, and consumption.
 3. Chris Armstrong, Vice President Cirrus/V2X, Panasonic Smart Mobility, **Panasonic Corporation of North America**. Panasonic North America is working with the Georgia Department of Transportation to test a vehicle-to-everything (V2X) data ecosystem called The Ray.
 4. Allie Kelly, Executive Director, **The Ray**. The Ray has built the nation's only publicly accessible, living laboratory for transportation innovation on Georgia's High-Tech I-85 Corridor.



5. Doug Brouillard, Plant Manager, **SELIT North America**. SELIT is a part of the Plastic Resin & Synthetic Fiber Manufacturing Industry located in the heart of Georgia's High-Tech I-85 Corridor.

3:15 – 3:30 **Q & A**

David B. Weiner, Consul & Senior Trade Commissioner, **Canadian Consulate in Atlanta**.

3:30 – 3:45 **Elevator Pitches**

Eight tech companies (4 from Ontario and 4 from Georgia) will make a quick pitch (one minute each).

3:45 – 4:00 **Closing Remarks**

Harris Lowry, Ambassador, **Georgia High-Tech I-85 Corridor**

Representative Chris Erwin, **Georgia House of Representatives**

B2B meetings

Each speaker from the GEORGIA PANEL will select between 5 to 10 Ontario attendees for subsequent B2B meetings (B2B meetings will take place a few days after the conference)



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