

Mobilizing Alberta's Bioeconomy

5th Annual Biorefining Conversions Network Strategic Retreat

Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel, Banff, Alberta

October 21 – 23, 2014

Tuesday October 21, 2014

Registration and Networking Reception 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Wednesday October 22, 2014

Breakfast 7:30am – 8:30am

Opening Comments 8:30am – 9:00am

Opening Keynotes

*Jim Lane – Editor, Biofuels Digest

*Peter Riddles – Founder & Director, ViciBio

9:00am – 12:00pm

Session 1: Riding the VC Wave Over the Valley of Death

*Denver Dale – Founder & CEO, On-Point Capital

*Conrad Plimpton – Managing Director, Plimpton & Company

**Kaizad Debu – Associate Portfolio Manager, AIMCo

Lunch 12:00pm – 12:45pm

Mountain Break 12:45pm – 3:15pm

Session 2: The Alberta Bioindustry: What's on the Horizon?

*Kevin Hicks (session chair) – Research Leader, United States Department of Agriculture

*Tim Haig / David Bressler – Forge Hydrocarbons

*David Lynch – General Manager, Research and Development, Enerkem Inc.

*Jonathan Curtis – Professor, University of Alberta

*William Bardosh – CEO, TerraVerdae Bioworks

**Fred Moesler – CTO, Renmatix

*Roberto Armenta – CTO, Mara Renewables Corp.

3:15pm – 6:00pm

Mountview BBQ Dinner 6:15pm – 9:00pm

Thursday October 23, 2014

Breakfast 7:30am – 8:30am

Session 3 (Panel Discussion): The Corner of Bioindustry St. and Oil & Gas Ave.

*Susan Wood-Bohm (moderator) – Executive Director, Biological GHG Management Program, CCEMC & Alberta Innovates Bio Solutions

*Neil Shelly – Executive Director, Alberta's Industrial Heartland Association

*Juan Benitez – Senior Specialist, Strategic Partnerships, Cenovus Energy

Brad West – Suncor Energy Services Inc.

*Lisa Dyson – CEO, Kiverdi

*Ian Thomson – President, Western Canada Biodiesel Association

8:30am – 12:00pm

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Session 4: Plugging into the "Receptor" Industry

*Bill Orts (session chair) – Research Leader, United States Department of Agriculture

*Aaron Thornton – Global Marketing Manager, Biorenewables, BASF

*Joseph Matt – Technology Development Specialist, Croda Inc.

*Alexander Thiemann – Dr. Straetmans GmbH

*Albert Soley – R&D Project Manager, Lipotec

*Ben Tunland – President, Ostrem Chemical Co. Ltd.

3:00pm – 6:00pm

Closing Plenary

Speaker to be announced

Networking Reception, Silent Auction & Banquet Dinner 6:00pm – 9:00pm

End of Retreat

*Confirmed speakers; **Confirmed affiliation but speaker may change