

WINDSOR-ESSEX REGIONAL Chamber of Commerce

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SOLD OUT: Small Business Roundtable Consultation with Presidents of Windsor-Essex Regional and Ontario Chambers of Commerce



Windsor, ON – Small businesses are essential to the economic prosperity of Ontario. The Ontario Chamber Network recognizes that small businesses face a series of unique challenges. It's critical that government remain responsive to these challenges to ensure the future competitiveness of small businesses in Ontario.

On Tuesday, August 9, 2016, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce (WERCC) boardroom located at 2575 Ouellette Place, please join the WERCC, Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC) President & CEO Allan O'Dette, and a small group of local business leaders for a discussion on how government and employers can work together to address the barriers that small businesses face. This event is sold out.

This roundtable discussion will focus on the Top 3 Obstacles to Small Business Success, as identified by the OCC:

- A lack of Access to the Workers We Need
- Key Infrastructure Gaps
- The Rising Cost of Doing Business

We're also interested in hearing perspectives on the provincial infrastructure deficit and the rising input costs of doing business in the province.

"We would look forward to our small business community engaging in this important conversation with the WERCC and the OCC as part of our Small Business *Too Big To Ignore* initiative. Comments and feedback will also help to inform a broader report by the OCC which aims to address the barriers to small business success in the province," said WERCC President & CEO Matt Marchand.

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