

# Opportunities in the Ontario Forest Bioeconomy

## *Ontario and Northern Europe Alliances*

November 7, 2014



# Agenda

- 2:35pm Welcome and Introductions  
Bob Hancherow, General Manager - Marathon Economic Development Corporation
- 2:40pm Opening Remarks  
Mayor Rick Dumas, Town of Marathon
- 2:45pm Opening Remarks  
Chief Duncan Michano, Pic River First Nation
- 2:50pm Session Overview, Biomass Innovation Centre Overview  
Francis Gallo, Community Seminar Liaison - Biomass Innovation Centre
- 3:00pm Biomass Opportunities in Marathon and Surrounding Region  
Bob Hancherow, General Manager - Marathon Economic Development Corporation
- 3:10pm Nawiinginoiima Forest Management Corporation (NFMC)  
Daryl Skworchinski, Chair of NFMC and CAO Town of Marathon
- 3:20pm Canadian and Finnish Alliance Opportunities  
Matti Kymenvaara, Project Manager - Spinverse Ltd. (head of Finnish delegation)
- 3:30pm Canadian and Finnish Trade Opportunities  
Seppo Vihersaari, Canadian Trade Commissioner to Finland
- 3:40pm Joensuu Region Development Company  
Jouko Parviainen, Program Manager - JOSEK
- 3:50–5:20pm **B2B Meetings**
- 5:20pm Naturallia 2015  
Alain Thivierge, Director of Economic Missions - RDÉE Ontario Alliances
- 5:25pm Closing Remarks, Next Steps  
Dawn Lambe, Project Manager - Biomass Innovation Centre



# Northern Europe Delegation

- Interest in Ontario's forest management practices and bioeconomy
- Energy Opportunities Conference
- Visit and study tour of northern Ontario
- B2B meetings
- OPPORTUNITIES!!!

**Think about how your organization can support this region's bioeconomy!**



# When Opportunity Comes Knocking...

SPINVERSE  
Capital & Consulting



University  
of Vaasa



Säätötuli

JOSEK



JOENSUU SCIENCE PARK



NAARVA



VOLTER  
I HAVE A CHOICE

METLA



ÄFAB   
Bioenergikonsulterna



SAALASTI

ReadyQuip

SKOGFORSK

PONSSE

A logger's best friend

kpa unicon

RENEWA



Government  
of Canada

Gouvernement  
du Canada





# Biomass Innovation Centre

*Fueling growth through clean technology*

## **Mission:**

To help grow a robust and sustainable bioeconomy in northern Ontario, driving innovation through research, education, and capacity building

Educate > Develop > Implement



# Biomass Innovation Centre

## We work with organizations/individuals to:

- Identify biomass supply opportunities in the forestry and agricultural sectors
- Support projects that transform biomass into fuels and high-value products
- Develop market and capacity for bioproducts throughout full supply chain

## Our Services Include:

Education, technical marketing, advocacy, research, strategy sessions, workshops, outreach AND MORE



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## Biomass Curriculum and Training

- Continue to embed content into Ontario college and university programs
- Training sessions for students and professionals
- Developing an online Training Portal
- Developing a Certificate in Bioeconomy Development





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## Bioeconomy Strategy for Northern Ontario

- Union of Ontario Indians (UOI) signed a MOU with Biomass Innovation Centre towards development of a bioeconomy strategy for northern Ontario
- A few activities within Strategy:
  - Inventory of available fibre supply
  - Mapping the current capacity for bioproduct development
  - Identify priority pilot projects for immediate planning
  - AND MORE





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## Project – Nor-Arc Steel Fabricators

- Assessing communities to implement a pilot project involving Nor-Arc's mobile biomass combustion units
- Identify end users (remote or connected), collaborate with select communities, feasibility analysis', project implementation
- District heating from forest biomass



# Stay Informed

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- Bi-monthly Newsletter – ***Biomass Bits***
- Mailing List



# Thank You!

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