# June 4-6, 2024

PTDA

NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIO Marriott on the Falls







# Canadian Conference

## Maximize the power of face-to-face meetings.

Distributors can diversify their supplier base through meetings with key decision makers at U.S. and Canadian suppliers during DM-IDEX. Manufacturers can cultivate greater relationships with channel partners to explore product distribution opportunities.

**GROW YOUR KNOWLEDGE** of top industry trends, insights and data so you're prepared to capitalize on lucrative opportunities and avert potential setbacks impacting the Canadian economy.

**DISCOVER NEW PERSPECTIVES AND SOLUTIONS** to persistent and common PT/MC labor challenges. Hear from panel participants who know the secret to hiring success. Work alongside peers during an interactive problemsolving session to radically flip the narrative and alter your approach to building awareness of careers in your industry.



Featuring a balance of dynamic networking, team-building opportunities and presentations on industry-relevant insights and advancements, the Canadian Conference is the event for PT/MC Canadian distributors and all manufacturers looking to level up their business in Canada.



# **Schedule of Events**

### TUESDAY JUNE 4

7:30am-1:30pm	Golf Outing at Battlefield at Legends on the Niagara
5:00-7:00pm	Networking Reception

### WEDNESDAY JUNE 5

8:00-9:00am	Networking Breakfast		
9:00-9:30am	Welcome Introductions & Remarks		
9:30-10:30am	Panel Discussion: Reimagine Your Hiring Strategies		
10:30-11:00am	Break		
11:00-11:45am	Keynote: Relentless Adaptation: Four Lessons to Thrive in Our AI Future with Amber Mac		
12:00-1:00pm	Networking Lunch		
1:00-5:00pm	DM-IDEX: Distributor-Manufacturer Idea Exchange		
	1:00-2:00pm Open Time (no scheduled appointments)		
	2:00-5:00pm Scheduled Appointments		
5:00-6:00pm	Reception		

### THURSDAY JUNE 6

7:30-8:00am	Networking Breakfast			
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8:00-10:00am	Workshop: Achieve Better Outcomes Through Disruptive Problem-Solving			
10:00-10:15am	Break			
10:15am-12:15pm	DM-IDEX (scheduled appointments)			
12:15-1:00pm	Networking Lunch			
1:00-2:00pm	Keynote: Calculating Risks and Opportunities for 2024 and Beyond with Jeremy Bess, ITR Economics			

# Program

#### PANEL DISCUSSION

#### **Reimagine Your Hiring Strategies**

Wednesday, June 5 | 9:30 - 10:30am

MODERATOR: Ann Arnott Executive Vice President/CEO, PTDA

#### PANELISTS: Parveen Gill, Ph.D., CHRL

Professor and Program Coordinator, Post-Graduate HR Program, Longo Faculty of Business, Humber College

#### Lindsey Rocks, MBA, CPHR

Vice President, Human Resources, Applied Industrial Technologies

#### Sylvia Silveira

Vice President HR & Operations, NTN Bearing Corp. of Canada Ltd.

#### Alexandra Tillo

Bilingual Talent Strategist, Indeed

This diverse panel of hiring experts will draw on their experiences to share best practices for implementing successful hiring strategies. You'll gain a better understanding of how to navigate and overcome common industry-specific stigmas and challenges and discover new ways to appeal to the values and expectations of a changing workforce.

#### KEYNOTE

#### Relentless Adaptation: Four Lessons to Thrive in Our Al Future

Wednesday, June 5 | 11:00 – 11:45am



#### Amber Mac

Innovation Speaker, Co-Host, The Feed on SiriusXM, President, AmberMac Media, Inc.

An award-winning podcaster, bestselling author and media host on the topic of AI and emerging technology, Mac will guide attendees through her four-part blueprint for not just surviving our fast

future but thriving in it. She'll share practical lessons every PT/MC leader and professional needs to know to design, grow, learn, and communicate in the age of AI—all while leading authentically and making an impact in today's world of predictable unpredictability.

#### WORKSHOP

#### Achieve Better Outcomes Through Disruptive Problem-Solving: Say "Hi" to the Future

Thursday, June 6 | 8:00 – 10:00am



Ken Tencer Entrepreneur, CEO, Spyder Works<sup>®</sup>





**Saquib Vali** Global Business Leader

As leaders, we need new answers fast. Finding those answers first requires leaders to think differently—more boldly, creatively, empathetically, and collaboratively—to see challenges from a fresh perspective. Supported by Catalyst, the proprietary thinking game for disruptive business challenges, we'll use one of the industry's toughest challenges as our topic: building awareness of careers in the PT/MC industry. Not only will you acquire some wicked problem-solving expertise, but you'll also work together to answer key workforce questions: What do high school, college and university students want from their careers? What do early career professionals need from us to better understand their opportunities for advancement within the PT/MC industry?

#### KEYNOTE

# Calculating Risks and Opportunities for 2024 and Beyond

Thursday, June 6 | 1:00 - 2:00pm



Jeremy Bess Economist, ITR Economics

Get your business prepped to seize opportunities and prosper in an everchanging fiscal landscape. Bess returns to provide clear, data-driven analysis of market trends—as forecasted by ITR Economics—and their impact on the

PT/MC-relevant industries. Remain vigilant and forwardthinking when you apply his insights to determine the best course of action for the most important part of the economy you and your business.

"We leave with a greater understanding of the issues that our Canadian distributors are encountering. Without this conference, we would be lost on the unique needs of the Canadian PT market." - BRIAN DENGEL, КНК USA INC.

# Networking

Broaden networks, expand connections and deepen business relationships through informal and formal networking opportunities.

#### DM-IDEX: Distributor-Manufacturer Idea Exchange

Engage in face-to-face conversation with senior executives of potential and current business partners. Use the time to review current sales plans, determine new pathways for growth or collaborate on solving problems. New for 2024, channel partners have more flexibility for connecting during DM-IDEX.

Wednesday, June 5 | 1:00 – 5:00pm 1:00-2:00pm Open Time NEW 2:00-5:00pm Scheduled Appointments

You've told us you want unscheduled time to meet with those who are either on the same side of the supply chain as your company or with companies you weren't able to schedule an appointment with. Use this first hour to make an introduction or conduct a brief conversation.

Then, over the next three hours, distributors and manufacturers meet for six 30-minutes appointments scheduled in advance of the Canadian Conference using PTDA's proprietary online scheduler.

#### Thursday, June 6 | 10:15am – 12:15pm Scheduled Appointments

Featuring four, one-on-one, pre-scheduled 30-minute meetings, participants can be assured of reserved time for engaging in productive business dealings.

More information about the process will become available closer to the event and final appointment schedules will be available through the software one week prior to the Canadian Conference.

Visit www.ptda.org/DM-IDEX for updated guidelines, deadlines, forms and appointment scheduling information. You must register for the Canadian Conference by April 30 to fully participate in the pre-scheduling.

### **Social Networking**

#### **Golf Outing**

**Tuesday, June 4** | **7:30am – 1:30pm** Battlefield Course at Legends on the Niagara

Golfers at every level will find a challenge at this 18-hole, 72-par course featuring rolling fairways and greens bound by dense forest and brush. An impressive man-made lake spans nearly 20 acres and comes into play on at least four holes while the 13th hole offers a spectacular view of Niagara Falls in the distance.

#### **Networking Reception**

#### Tuesday, June 4 | 5:00 - 7:00pm

Begin your first evening enjoying casual conversation with colleagues over cocktails.

#### **Breakfast**

Wednesday, June 5 | 8:00 – 9:00am Get a strong start to the day making connections as you fuel up.

#### **Networking Lunches**

Wednesday, June 5 | 12:00 – 1:00 pm Thursday, June 6 | 12:15 – 1:00pm Continue productive discussions with peers and new acquaintances.

#### **Networking Reception**

Wednesday, June 5 | 5:00 – 6:00pm Enjoy this informal reception and opportunity to connect with those you have not yet met or meet up with friends.



# Hotel & Travel Information

The headquarters hotel of the 2024 Canadian Conference

MARRIOTT ON THE FALLS 6755 Fallsview Boulevard Niagara Falls, ON L2G 3W7 +1.905.374.1077 Situated on the brink of Horseshoe Falls in Canada, experience breathtaking views of Niagara Falls and the City with your stay at the Marriott on the Falls. Its recent renovations offer modern décor, luxurious bedding, and excellent in-room amenities.

A block of rooms—all with a view of the Falls—has been set aside for Canadian Conference participants for CAD\$229 single/double standard room per night. Reservations will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis when reserved by April 30 or until the block is filled (which usually comes first). After April 30, the hotel will release any unsold rooms in the PTDA block and reservations will be taken on a space-available basis.

Book your room at ptda.org/CCHotel or call +1.877.353.2557 and reference that you are with the PTDA. Please only use the link provided above as our hotel contract ensures PTDA's rates are the lowest available on any public website.



#### **Registration and Cancellation Policies**

#### ADVANCE REGISTRATION DEADLINES

To receive the early discounted registration fee and to participate in DM-IDEX, your registration form and payment must be received no later than April 30. To ensure inclusion in the advance PTDA registration list, registration form and payment must be received no later than April 30.

#### **REFUND POLICIES**

Delegate and Spouse/Companion Registration: Written cancellations received by May 15 will be refunded and processed in full by June 15. Due to PTDA's contractual obligations with its vendors, no refunds can be issued for cancellations received on or after May 15.

#### PTDA GOLF OUTING

Written cancellations received prior to May 15 will be refunded in full. Cancellations received after this date, including on-site cancellations, will be refunded only if a substitute is found by the registered guest to fill the space.

Visit the PTDA website for the Event Code of Conduct, Publicity Photo and Video Acknowledgement, Attire and Entertainment Policies.

> "The Canadian Conference is a great business opportunity to meet and interact with customers and suppliers that you don't see on a day-to-day or regular basis." - CRAIG BOBBIE, PTM INDUSTRIES INC.

## **PTDA** 2024 CANADIAN CONFERENCE **REGISTRATION FORM**

#### LOGIN AND REGISTER ONLINE AT PTDA.ORG/CANADIANCONFERENCE OR FULLY COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURN WITH PAYMENT

Please read the instructions on the reverse side before registering. Except for spouses and companions, each individual attending must register separately. To register additional individuals from your firm, please copy this page or download the form from ptda.org/CanadianConference.

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PAYMENT OPTIONS (Please note, registration not final until paid in full.)

□ I have enclosed a check for US\$ \_

□ Charge my credit card US\$ \_\_\_\_

□ I am paying via ACH. Access PTDA's ACH information at ptda.org/ACH.

\*\*Fees are provided in Canadian funds (rounded to the nearest \$5 or \$10) as of February 6, 2024, for reference only. All payments must be made in U.S. funds. Credit card payments will be charged in U.S. Dollars, but will appear on your credit card statement in your local currency. For refund policies, please see reverse side.

#### **REGISTRATION FEES\***

#### **DELEGATE REGISTRATION**

	BY APRIL 30	AFTER APRIL 30	SUBTOTAL
PTDA Manufacturer/ Associate Member	US\$1,195/C\$1,615	US\$1,295/C\$1,750	
PTDA Distributor Member: 1st Delegate	US\$745/C\$1,005	US\$845/C\$1,140	
Additional Distributor Delegate*	US\$695/C\$940	US\$795/C\$1,075	

\*Quantity discount is available to PTDA distributor member companies red one (1) delegate at the full conference from your company has registered, all es may register at the quantity discount rate.

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