

CCBC conference presents rare networking opportunity

BEIJING, CHINA — October 22, 2003 — The Canada China Business Council (CCBC) will be holding its 25th anniversary gala banquet, annual general meeting and policy conference, and Prime Minister Jean Chrétien and a senior-level Chinese leader intend to participate.

The gala will afford participants a rare opportunity to meet members of China's so-called "fourth generation" who have taken their posts over the past year and are putting their stamp

on national policy. The CCBC invites Canadian exporters to take advantage of this opportunity to deepen business relationships with key Chinese partners, customers and contacts.

The policy conference will feature speakers and panelists drawn from the Canadian and Chinese business communities as well as leading Chinese commentators. The sessions will be interactive to facilitate participation. This annual event brings together

the most important players in the Chinese market and is a networking opportunity not to be missed.

For more information on the program, registration and sponsorship opportunities, including advertising and promotional opportunities in *Forum* magazine, go to www.ccbc.com or call the CCBC's Toronto office at **(416) 954-3800**, or in Beijing at **(011-8610) 8526-1820**.

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Unprecedented opportunity

Rebuild Iraq 2004 exhibition

MISHREF, KUWAIT — January 19-23, 2004 — The **Rebuild Iraq 2004** exhibition will connect international suppliers with the decision makers overseeing the rebuilding of that country. Arguably the largest project of its kind since the end of World War II, this undertaking will cost in excess of \$100 billion over the next five years, with at least \$50 billion worth of projects slated to be sub-contracted to U.S. and foreign firms.

Opportunities

Uniquely positioned to respond to this exceptional opportunity, the exhibition will bring together decision makers, specifiers, project owners and government bodies with manufacturers,

suppliers and contractors. This event will be exhibiting a full range of infrastructure products, services and systems needed to rebuild Iraq. These include food, water, water infrastructure, hospital equipment, medicine, security equipment, environmental tools, oil-well and refinery repair and maintenance, oil and gas supplies, road and rail construction and development, air and sea port construction, schools, telecom and financial systems. The reconstruction of Iraq's oil sector alone will cost \$15 billion, while \$1 billion is needed to repair the telecom sector and \$20 billion has been earmarked to resuscitate the

national grid. The sale of airport communications, aircraft parts, airline services, transport, construction and security equipment also represent future opportunities for companies. Nearly \$1 billion has already been set aside by the international community for the rebuilding of Iraq, the bulk of which has come from U.S. agencies. This international initiative, coupled with the opportunities and unprecedented interest in the country, make this infrastructure project the perfect forum for your company or product.

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