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A CHAMBER INITIATIVE TO FOSTER TRADE AND INVESTMENT BETWEEN
CANADA, HONG KONG & CHINA

On May 2, the Chamber, in association with the Commission for Canada and the Bank of Montreal, launched its largest-ever initiative — a conference in Hong Kong and China which drew more than 150 delegates from Canada, Hong Kong, and China.

The conference attracted more than 30 high-level speakers in industry and government and was, by all accounts, a great success. Much information was gleaned by participants interested in doing business in China, while Chinese delegates had an afternoon in Guangzhou during which they were educated about doing business in Canada. The following is a pictorial account of the whirlwind of activity during the one day in Hong Kong and two days in Guangzhou.



The conference was opened on the morning of May 2 at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre. Panelists included Matthew Barrett, Chairman & Chief Executive of the Bank of Montreal; John Higginbotham, Commissioner for Canada; Chamber President, Eliza Chan; Ed Rubin, Managing Director of Corton Hill Investments and moderator for the morning session; Canada's Agriculture Minister, The Hon. Ralph Goodale; and Dr. David K.P. Li, Director & Chief Executive of The Bank of East Asia.



Inchcape Pacific Chairman, Paul M.F. Cheng spoke on "Meeting the Challenges - Hong Kong's Direction in International Trade".



Chamber President Eliza Chan chats with Executive Director Hong Kong & China for Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Paul Selway-Swift and Vice-President and Manager Canadian Banking, Henry Fetigan just before Selway-Swift delivered a speech entitled "Hong Kong's Role in the Global Financial Markets".



"Infrastructural Integration with China: Opportunities for Development" was the topic of Kenneth Tse's speech. Tse is the General Manager of Yantian International Container Terminals.