ation that will on our part involve not only the private sector but also the provinces. It is fitting, therefore, that today the representatives of the member states and of the European Communities share the table with representatives of Canada's provincial governments and private business, who will all have to play their part if the agreement is to achieve its potential.

Thus today's ceremony, far from being the end of a process, marks the beginning of a new venture. We now have a design and framework; it is now up to both sides to translate promise into performance.