

Kanata North Business Association to Host International Tour and Dinner Reception

*Ambassadors and Diplomats to tour Canada's
Largest Technology Park in Kanata North*

Ottawa, ON – On Monday, October 17th 2016, from 2:00 pm – 8:00 pm the Kanata North Business Association will host their 2nd annual Diplomatic tour and dinner reception. Close to twenty-five representatives from Ottawa's Canadian embassies, diplomatic community, and economic and foreign affairs representatives in Canada, will be attending the event.

The purpose of the event is to broaden awareness of the Kanata North business community and help facilitate commercial and professional relationships with foreign ambassadors and diplomatic representatives. Members of the business community will have an exclusive opportunity to network with the international delegates, as well as other invitees that will include business leaders, technology executives, provincial and federal government officials, academic leaders and Ottawa City Councillors.

"We are excited to be hosting this event for a second year, and shining a light on the tremendous amount of innovation happening in the Kanata North Tech Park." said Jenna Suds, Executive Director of Kanata North Business Association. "The Kanata North technology community has been enjoying impressive growth with many companies being recognized on the global stage as leaders in their fields. This event provides a wonderful opportunity for our business community to meet with international delegates and strengthen those relationships."

Ambassadors and politicians will spend the afternoon touring three local technology companies including [Flex](#), [BlackBerry/QNX](#) and [Youi.TV](#). Once the tour is completed they will be escorted back to the Brookstreet Hotel to join local technology executives for an exclusive networking and cocktail reception followed by dinner. Guests will have the opportunity to learn more about the businesses in Canada's Largest Technology Park and hear a welcome address by Ottawa's Mayor Jim Watson, and keynote address by Associate Deputy Ministry of Innovation, Science and Economic Development, Kelly Gillis.

Kanata North features some of the fastest-growing and innovative technology companies in Canada. With many being internationally recognized for their game-changing technologies. This event provides an opportunity to highlight the tremendous success of the region with the diplomatic community.

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About the Kanata North Business Association (KNBIA)

The Kanata North Business Association is committed to representing and advocating for the best interests of the over 500 member companies located in Canada's largest Technology Park. As a critical part of Ottawa's economic development future and a renowned hub of technology and innovation, the Kanata North Tech Park is a robust and vital region. KNBIA fosters success for its constituent companies by having a strong voice within the city of Ottawa and its partner organizations, with focus on enhancing a vibrant ecosystem that supports growth, collaborations and talent for member businesses, in addition to building awareness about Kanata North as a center for innovation and destination for business. For more information, visit www.kanatanorthbia.ca.

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