



NEW YEAR GREETINGS AND UPCOMING EVENTS!

Happy New Year! 2018 promises to be an exciting and opportunity-filled year for global trade. OWIT has hit the ground running with events and partnerships being planned to help you build your business and network!

OWIT's Businesswomen's Trade Mission to Mexico- rescheduled



Our Trade Mission to Monterrey, Mexico has been rescheduled from February 26-March 2. The new date is November 12-16, 2018. The new date has allowed OWIT to engage more partners in this mission, adding even more value for attendees. Stay tuned for more information!

Annual General Meeting: March 8



If you are interested in becoming a member, finding out about joining the Board of Directors, or simply learning more about OWIT-Toronto and meeting our members, join us on March 8, at 6:30pm! The meeting will be held in downtown Toronto, with more details to follow. Don't miss out!

Professional Development Webinar: February 6: 12 pm EST



For our members, a Professional Development free webinar will be hosted by Beth Hand, a strategic advisor who has served hundreds of leaders and their organizations. She is an advocate for women's parity globally for a more inclusive world. Watch for registration details coming soon.

Our Partners



OWIT-Toronto has actively been establishing partnerships with other organizations supporting women in international trade. In 2017, we announced our partnerships with the Belgian Canadian Business Chamber (BCBC) and the OWIT-Monterrey Chapter. We are pleased to collaborate with these organizations to provide a variety of events, educational seminars and trade missions.

For more information about BCBC, visit their website at <http://www.belgiumconnect.com>, or join one of their monthly social Frites Nights held in various downtown Toronto locations.

BCBC's Events

To learn more about our partnership with the OWIT-Monterrey Chapter, please visit: <http://www.owit-toronto.ca/news/4758027> .

From all of us at OWIT, we wish you continued success, good health and happiness in the New Year!

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OWIT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

If you are interested in becoming a member, joining the Board of Directors, volunteering or simply learning more about the Organization of Women in International Trade (OWIT-Toronto) and meeting our members, please join us for our AGM:

Date:	Wednesday March 21, 2018
Time:	5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Location:	75 Dalhousie St., Toronto in the Party Room on the main floor. (Main intersection is Church and Dundas). Street Parking Available.
RSVP by March 20 to:	anita@bbjw.com

**Members in good standing who cannot attend: [please click here to download the Proxy form](#) to designate an individual to participate in board member voting on your behalf. Please submit the completed form to anita@bbjw.com by March 20, 2018. Thank you.

Agenda:

5:30pm-6:00pm - Registration and Networking

6:00pm-6:45pm - Financial Statements presentation and AGM business

6:45pm-7:30pm New board member introductions and announcements



Coffee, tea and light snacks will be served

We look forward to seeing you!

WOMEN IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE

MONDAY APRIL 9

On behalf of the Hon. Jeff Leal, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, and Minister Responsible for Small Business and the Hon. Michael Chan, Minister of International Trade, and OWIT (Organization of Women in International Trade), we invite you to join us for an evening of networking and a lively panel discussion about the importance of women in international trade. There is no fee to attend this event.

When:

Monday April 9, 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Where:

Downtown Toronto (venue to be announced).

Special Guests:

Hon. Jeff Leal, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, and Minister Responsible for Small Business

Hon. Michael Chan, Minister of International Trade

Hon. Harinder Malhi, Minister of the Status of Women

Featured Panelists:

Gillian Riley, EVP Commercial Banking, Scotiabank

Janice McDonald, President & Founder, The Beacon Agency

Amy Chronin, Chair of Ontario Pork and Vice-Chair of the Growth Steering Committee of Agriculture in Ontario

Beth Potter, President & CEO, Tourism Industry Association of Ontario

Panel Moderator:

Anita Agrawal, CEO of Best Bargains Jewellery and Chair of the Organization of Women in International Trade - Toronto Chapter

Please e-mail your RSVP by **Monday April 2nd, 2018**, to Olyvia Little at Olyvia.Little@ontario.ca

We look forward to seeing you at this event!

PARTNERS' CORNER

BCBC's Frites Nights



The Belgian Canadian Business Chamber's (BCBC) Frites Nights is being held on March 27. If you are interested in business between Canada and Belgium, this is a great opportunity to network and meet like-minded members of the BCBC! Click here for more information: <http://www.belgiumconnect.com/events/>

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