



Is Canada Being Hollowed Out? New Evidence and Lessons from Peers

Sixth Meeting
Tuesday, January 29, 2008

York Room, Toronto Marriott Eaton Centre
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Agenda

Objectives

- Better understand recent and long-term trends in M&A activity
- Provide a better evidence basis to discuss Canadian implications and optimal policies
- Understand peer country policies and lessons for Canada

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- 8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. **Welcome and Introductions**
Glen Hodgson, Senior Vice-President and Chief Economist, The Conference Board of Canada
- 8:40 a.m. **Trends in Foreign Direct Investment and Mergers and Acquisitions Activity**
Louis Theriault, Director, International Trade and Investment Centre, The Conference Board of Canada
- 9:45 a.m. Break
- 10:00 a.m. **The Hollowing Out of Corporate Canada: Myth or Reality?**
Michael Bloom, Vice-President, Organizational Effectiveness and Learning,
The Conference Board of Canada

- 11:00 a.m. Open discussion
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch – Simcoe *Room*
- 12:30 p.m. Luncheon Speaker:
Comparison of Peer Country Investment Screening Practices
Andrea Mandel-Campbell, Journalist and Author of *Why Mexicans Don't Drink Molson*
- 1:30 p.m. **Implications for Government Policy and Foreign Investment**
Member discussion
- 2:30 p.m. Adjournment