

# CALL FOR ABSTRACTS



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Canadian Farm & Food **Biogas** Conference and Exhibition

March 8-12, 2010 London Convention Centre, London, Ontario Canada

### ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SUBMITTING AN ABSTRACT ONLINE FOR THIS CONFERENCE?

#### CANADIAN FARM AND FOOD BIOGAS - SUGGESTED TOPIC AREAS

##### CASE STUDIES & LESSONS LEARNED

Making biogas projects happen in Ontario, elsewhere in Canada, and around the world, successes and failures, safety

##### NEW TECHNOLOGIES

Smart grids, all relevant biogas technologies, including those under research and development

##### BIOGAS GENERATION

Feedstocks, established technologies, project feasibility, economics, regulations and policies, approvals, feed-in tariffs

##### BIOGAS USE

On-farm use for heating, supplementing natural gas, and electricity generation, regulations and policies, approvals

##### CO-SUBSTRATES

Mixing off-farm materials, regulations and policies, approvals, challenges and opportunities, what works and what doesn't

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Poster presentations provide the opportunity to present more fundamental research on emerging technologies and other solutions.

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#### CALL FOR SPEAKERS AND POSTERS

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First Stage Enterprises:

info@gtmconference.ca or (416) 426-7029

#### HOW TO APPLY ONLINE

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#### CONTENT

Your abstract must clearly state the topics addressed or nature of your project. Briefly describe the manner in which the topic or project is addressed and describe the findings, conclusions or solutions to the issue. Authors are expected to clearly outline the key learning objectives of their presentations.

#### SELECTION PROCESS

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- Oral presentations will be 25 minutes inclusive of questions.
- Poster presentations will be displayed on one or the other of the conference days.

#### NOTIFICATION

Please note:

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- You will be notified of the outcome of the review process by the end of November.
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**For information regarding the 4th Annual Growing the Margins Conference, please turn over.**

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## 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Growing the Margins:

Conference and Exhibition:  
Green Energy and Economy for  
the Farm and Food Sectors

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### GROWING THE MARGINS - SUGGESTED TOPIC AREAS

#### GROWING

Energy crops, their markets, investment required, developing partnerships, eliminating barriers

#### MARGINS

Improving the bottom line, risk mitigation, use of marginal lands, climate change adaptation

#### GREEN ENERGY

Conservation, generation of renewables, biofuels, small scale on-farm solar, grid connection, feed-in tariffs, emissions reductions, policies

#### GREEN ECONOMY

Regulations, tax credits, program funding, learning from other jurisdictions, skills training, learnings from regional/sectoral development programs (e.g transport, communications) that may apply to green energy, improving conditions for invention, innovation, investment, creation / retention of wealth

#### BIOPRODUCTS

Biomaterials, biochemicals, their production and marketing, inputs and raw materials, adding and capturing value, primary and further processing, project development

#### BYPRODUCTS

Manure, agricultural residues, deadstock and meat waste, food byproducts, co-products, marketing, environmental enhancements

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