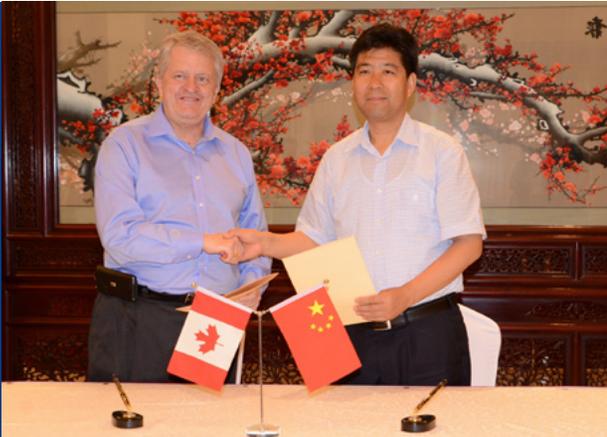


# International Business:

## A world of opportunities for Oakville companies



In our global economy, business, trade and technology are continuously on the move across world markets. For rapidly growing companies in Oakville – from advanced manufacturing and digital media, to life sciences and professional services – searching out those worldwide connections for their products and services is more important than ever.

No successful enterprise can afford to ignore other burgeoning economies, not just in North America, but also in South America, Asia and Europe. Are you already in Oakville or plan to locate your business to our thriving community? If so, you will have a world of opportunities available through our services and comprehensive government programs, which can pave the way to international trade and commerce.

### [Explore Oakville's international business and trade connections](#)

The Town of Oakville has met with numerous delegations from other countries seeking business opportunities in this community and Economic Development staff continue to receive inquiries in this regard.

Over the past few years, the Town has participated in a number of trade missions to China. And in 2013, Oakville Mayor Rob Burton hosted an Oakville-China Business Forum for local companies to learn about doing business with China. If your company is interested in exploring international business opportunities in other countries, you can leverage business contacts developed through Oakville's government leaders. Inquire about future trade missions to be led by Mayor Burton whose participation provides an additional level of trust in the building of new relationships.

### [Government services offer free support in connecting with international markets](#)

With your global interests in mind, our Economic Development team can match you up with contacts and services to help your business succeed in international markets. Both the federal and provincial governments provide a range of free services to help your company conduct business in foreign countries.

## Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development

- The Canadian Trade Commissioner Service offers companies hands-on knowledge of international markets and business contacts
- Funding programs are in place to support bilateral research and development projects with the potential for commercialization between Canada and other countries

Canadian Trade Commissioner Service

## Export Development Canada

- Services to Canadian exporters doing business in over 200 markets worldwide
- Risk management, financing and insurance services designed specifically for Canadian companies that export

Export Development Canada

## Ministry of International Trade

- In-market consultants operating in over 20 cities around the world and working to develop business opportunities for Ontario

Ontario Global Business

## Resources

We're here to help. For more resources, click on any of the links below.

Photo Gallery of Oakville

Office & Industrial Space Available  
in Oakville

Oakville Videos

Economic Development Annual Report

Quarterly e-Newsletter

Schedule a Phone Call

## We're waiting to hear from *you.*

Contact our Economic Development team about establishing your company in the Town of Oakville.

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