



January 7, 2021 eNewsletter

## Ontario East Events

Visit the Ontario East [Events Calendar](#) and stay up-to-date on what's happening in Eastern Ontario. If you have any on-line events that you would like us to share, please forward to [info@ontarioeast.ca](mailto:info@ontarioeast.ca)



**Ontario East Virtual Annual General Meeting**  
3:00pm to 5:00pm, Thursday, February 4, 2021

### Registration Now Open

At the **Ontario East Annual General Meeting**, we will recognize outgoing directors, welcome new directors, approve audited 2020 financials and provide an update on Ontario East activities.

This event is free and open to all members of the Ontario East Economic Development Commission.

We hope to see you there!

[RSVP HERE](#)



**EDCO 64th Annual Virtual Conference and Showcase**  
Wednesdays, January 20th to February 29th 2021

Registration for EDCO's 64th Annual EDCO Conference and Showcase, EvolveON, is open!

Take advantage of what the **EDCO Conference** has become known for in the industry – a diverse and thought-provoking program that will inspire, educate and empower economic developers across the province. This year is no different! Grab a coffee and join your fellow economic developers every Wednesday morning from January 20 to February 29, 2021.

[REGISTER HERE](#)



SHAPING A 'NET-ZERO' COMMUNITY

2021  
**SmartEnergy**  
Kingston  
VIRTUAL & INTERACTIVE  
January 26-27, 2021

hosted by  
 KINGSTON ECONOMIC  
Development Corporation

organized by  
**JAMESON GROUP**  
**EVENTWORX**  
CORPORATION

[smartenergykingston.com](http://smartenergykingston.com)

**Smart Energy Kingston 2021**  
(Online Event)  
January 26 and 27, 2021

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Kingston's premiere Smart Energy summit (SEK2021) will be host to smart energy experts from across Canada. Over the one and half-day gathering delegates will be encouraged to provide input on shaping a "Net-Zero Community". It will highlight innovative technologies and proven trends so all audience members such as municipal energy planners, managers, administrators, academia, industry, startups, investors, and institutional consumers from neighbouring communities leave empowered!

DESIGNING YOUR CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

Hear from innovators who have designed their community's action plans utilizing the latest in hydrogen, storage, EVs, carbon capture, transportation and electrification. How are utilities, policy-makers, corporations, governments, researchers and consumers incorporating new smart energy technologies for tomorrow.

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**Ontario East News**

If you have any news that you would like us to share, please forward to [info@ontarioeast.ca](mailto:info@ontarioeast.ca)



## Ontario East Talent Identification Support Project Update

### Talent Identification Support For You

See what the Eastern Workforce Innovation Board (EWIB) has done post-COVID and see some ideas as well, on what's already in place to help you now, [here](#).

Employers are sharing the [Quality of Life Infographic](#) to attract talent to their eastern Ontario jobs - are you?

Help us strengthen the eastern Ontario brand by sharing the 12 upcoming blogs from the Ontario East Jobs blog - [sign up for the RSS feed here](#) so you don't miss any!



### Women's Entrepreneurship Program – Update

Ontario East is pleased to announce that Julie Savard has joined the Women's Entrepreneurship Program as project coordinator and will support the pilot project through to its scheduled completion date of March 21, 2022. Julie brings 15 years of working experience in economic and business development to the team. Julie has also operated a home based business on a part time basis for over 20 years.

The Ontario East Women's Entrepreneurship Program (WEP) was launched in late 2019 and is funded by the Government of Canada's Women Entrepreneurship Strategy (WES) through the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario (FedDev Ontario).

The three-year program is administered regionally under the guidance of the Ontario East Economic Development Commission and delivered locally by the pilot partners in Kawartha Lakes, Leeds & Grenville, Northumberland County, Prescott Russell and Durham Region. WEP delivers business development tools, resources, methods and mentoring in a virtual environment to help individuals start and grow their businesses.

For more information please visit:

<http://ontarioeast.ca/sites/default/files//WEPupdate%20Nov%202020-2.pdf>

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