

THE ADDRESS DELIVERED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE CANADIAN CENTRE FOR RAW MATERIALS DISPLAY INCORPORATED (CaCeRMDI) AT THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION ON THE 8TH NOVEMBER 2023 IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE PRINCE ALBERT PUBLIC LIBRARY

Representative of the Provincial Government in person of Mr. Daryl Harrison, currently serving as the Provincial Legislative Secretary for Energy and Resources, and the Member Legislative Assembly MLA for Cannington,

Representative of His Worship Greg Dionne the Mayor of the City of Prince Albert

Representative of Member of Parliament the Honourable Randy Hoback representing Prince Albert at the federal Parliament in Ottawa

Representative of Member Legislative Assembly for Prince Albert Carlton Constituency and Provincial Minister for SaskBuilds and Procurement, the Honourable Joe Hargrave

Representative of Member Legislative Assembly for Prince Albert Northcote Alana Ross

The CEO Prince Albert & District Chambers of Commerce Patricia Cresswell Hughes

Director of Prince Albert Public Library Services, Mr. Alex Juorio

Gentlemen of the press,

Distinguished ladies and gentlemen

All other protocols duly observed.

It is an honor and privilege to give a welcome address at this event, and I thank you all for honoring our maiden conference and exhibition on raw materials with your presence (virtual and physical) as we begin a journey toward the advancement of education, economic growth, and trade by increasing the visibility of raw materials in locations across Canada and the world at large.

I recognize our presence in Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis Nation.

Treaty 6 territory encompasses the traditional lands of the Cree, Dakota, Nakota, Saulteaux, as well as the homeland of the Métis Nation. We respect the histories, languages, and cultures of the First Nations, Métis, Inuit, and all Indigenous People of Canada, whose presence continues to enrich our community. This acknowledgment and recognition reaffirm our relationship with one another, and we are committed to moving forward in partnership with Indigenous Nations in the spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.

INTRODUCTION

The Canadian Centre for Raw Materials Display Inc (CaCeRMDI) is the first raw materials exhibition corporation in the world, a not-for-profit federal corporation now headquartered in the beautiful city of Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. It started off in Ontario, Canada as a business corporation on the 30th March, 2021 and changed the structure to nonprofit on the 8th November, 2022.

CaCeRMDI was incorporated to primarily disseminate essential information on the availability of industrial raw materials in Canada and other parts of the world. It is created to conduct research, collect, conserve, and display relevant industrial raw materials for its stakeholders (investors of means, entrepreneurs, researchers, and the public).

The need to create the corporation was well informed by the abundant mineral-based and agro-allied raw materials in Canada and in locations across the globe. The Centre is aware that not all industrial raw materials can be displayed due to radioactivity and as such some are pictorially presented for stakeholders. For example, uranium.

The core mission of CaCeRMDI is to make the raw materials supply chain seamless, and it is envisioned as a global platform for connecting suppliers with end users of industrial raw materials particularly in the promotion of trade between Canada and other countries like Nigeria. CaCeRMDI pursues its mission based on its core values of Trust, Improvement, Integrity, Professionalism, and Safety (TIIPS).

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Between May 15, 2023, and June 16, 2023, CaCeRMDI staged its First Essay/Quiz Competition for grades 9-12, and in between. From June 6-9, 2023, the First Raw Materials Exhibition for grades 9-12; where potash obtained from Nutrien, the largest single company that mines the most potash in the world with a commitment to a well-fed world, was presented. CaCeRMDI also displayed some raw materials to the **Premier of Saskatchewan, our very own Honorable Scott Moe** on Saturday 10th June, 2023, at Kinsmen Park in the beautiful City of Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

Today, we begin the staging of our First Conference and Exhibition **with the theme “New Development and Solutions to a Global Shortage of Raw Materials”**. Several topics will be discussed, and we have subject matter experts with us to lead us today and tomorrow. The proceedings of this conference will be published in our first journal of the Canadian Centre for Raw Materials Display Inc. (CaCeRMDI), an alternative platform where researchers across the globe could publish their research findings on raw materials and advertise the raw materials in various locations across the globe.

The aim of all editions of our conference and exhibition is to bring together global stakeholders of raw materials for the purpose of education and international trade. Those who registered for the first edition had technically registered for both the first and second editions. We have about fifty (50) registered international participants (delegates) who have already paid fully or have been given complete or partial registration fee waivers to attend both the first and second

editions. Only the first edition of this conference and exhibition will be attended virtually by all participants outside of Canada, but subsequent editions will be in-person attendance.

Our conference and exhibition shall be held twice every year in April and November in the presence of Canadian and international audiences with the focus on the raw materials present in that province or territory.

All editions shall be held in the beautiful City of Prince Albert, Saskatchewan biannually.

This first edition is focused on promoting two of Saskatchewan's raw materials i.e., Potash and Uranium. This is in line with keeping with our goal to advance education and international trade between Canada and the world at large.

The second edition will be focused on promoting two of Alberta's raw materials (Lithium and Limestone) on 25-26 April 2024. This will be in line with keeping with our goal to advance education and international trade between Canada and the world at large.

Our team has by this conference and exhibition begun a tour of all provinces and territories of Canada and the world beginning from Saskatchewan.

We have invited every member of the public to this conference and exhibition because at the backyard of some of us are raw materials that could feed some of our existing industries or create new ones. This event and all our activities are to stimulate interest in the use of local raw materials.

I want to thank you all for coming. We made the registration free for all Saskatchewan residents.

Please follow us on all our social media handles.

Thank you.