



Recipe for success!

Our Food, Beverage & Bio Sector initiative members are cooking up fresh solutions to industry challenges.

All Ontario Food, Beverage & Bio Manufacturers are welcome to join.

As competitive pressures continue to build globally, EMC's Food, Beverage & Bio sector manufacturers/processors identified the need for a new initiative focused specifically on this vital sector. Working together with the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs (OMAFRA), we proudly launched the initial phase of the EMC Food, Beverage & Bio Sector Network in 2008.

How it works

The premise is simple, but powerful: take 1 part advanced networking, 2 parts expert coaching and mentoring, 3 parts sector resources, plant tours and subject matter expertise. Stir vigorously throughout the province with hundreds of food and beverage manufacturers, and simmer.

Voila, our recipe for success...members getting together to network, benchmark, learn sector best practices and share what they've learned!

We know EMC's recipe works because the initiative has grown significantly, garnering interest from across Canada.

Since launch, EMC's Food, Beverage & Bio Sector Network has hosted hundreds of regional networking, learning and training events, plant tours, benchmarking events, Conferences, and Summits. It has created growth opportunities for participating food, beverage & bio companies, plus related supply chain and other stakeholders.

Value

Our members gain exposure to expertise and best practices, become more competitive and benchmark with the 'best and brightest'. They connect with other sector companies, industry experts and government partners, and gain strong sector relationships. These opportunities can drive job retention/enhancement/creation, a better bottom line, and new development.

We asked our members to comment on our FBB Sector Initiative:

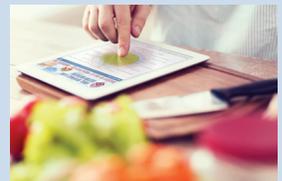
"As manufacturers, we are constantly striving to find ways and means to be comuch needed glue into the sector. Giving members confidence by working in the connected community and seeing the ease with which the processes flow more effortlessly means improved bottom lines."

Steve Glickman

London Economic Development Corporation

Do You Know How Your Company Ranks on Productivity?

Productivity Self-Diagnostic Tool



Through EMC's Food, Beverage and Bio Sector Initiative, manufacturers and processors can access a newly launched online Productivity Self-Diagnostic Tool, providing an opportunity to score your productive capabilities via an interactive survey.

Working with sector productivity experts, EMC's Self-Diagnostic tool provides Food, Beverage, Bio and Ag sector firms with a no-cost way to gauge productivity and access real-time reports, feedback and informal analysis.

EMC's Productivity Self-Diagnostic Tool will help you better understand your current productive capabilities and how you score compared to other participating companies within the sector, with visual and written feedback that can help guide your productivity action plan, while accessing evergreen data and benchmarking key performance indicators with other participating companies within the sector.

Discussion topics on the menu

- Business Growth
- Exporting Opportunities
- Food Safety and Regulatory Compliance
- Food Plant Certification Paths
- Automation and Innovation/Next Generation Manufacturing
- Engagement, Retention and Attraction Strategies
- Leadership and Team Development
- Lean Journey's, Tools and Implementation



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