

ICCC Participates in the Canada-In-Asia Conferences 2024 in Singapore



Photo: Participants in a meeting of the Indo-Pacific Region Canadian Chamber of Commerce and Government of Canada Trade Commissioner Service representatives at a special session of the CAIC conference in Singapore.

The Indonesia Canada Chamber of Commerce recently participated in the Canada-In-Asia Conferences 2024 (CAIC) from February 26 to 29 in Singapore, represented by Greg A. Elms, Vice Chairperson.

The CAIC conference was organized by the Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada in partnership with Universities Canada. The conference was well attended by more than 400 senior public and private sector representatives from Canada and the region.

Representatives of 20 Canadian Chambers from across the region, as well as senior Canadian trade officials from across the Indo-Pacific region and from Canada, Canadian businesses, crown corporations, and provincial and university representatives participated. The network of the ICCC has expanded as a result of our participation at CAIC and the new contacts made are expected to lead to increased opportunities for our Members and our Chamber in the future.

In addition to the main conference thematic sessions organized around the topics of Agri-food and Climate Solutions, special sessions were organized for the Canadian Chamber representatives to discuss ways to increase the Canadian presence in the Indo-Pacific region.

A key session was a meeting between the representatives of the Canadian Chambers and Global Affairs Canada's Sara Wilshaw, Canada's Chief Trade Commissioner, and Paul Thoppil, Canada's Indo-Pacific Trade Representative and Senior Trade Commissioners from around the region. Canada's Minister of Export Promotion, International Trade and Economic Development, Mary Ng, dialled in to kick off this high-level meeting. This meeting provided an opportunity to discuss ideas and opportunities to enhance trade and investment between Canada and the Indo-Pacific Region.

Stronger connections were also made between Chamber representatives, creating opportunities for enhanced collaboration and coordination between Canada's Chambers in the Indo-Pacific region.