

Announcement

The **Canada Meets Germany Alumni Forum** announces the **German Canadian Concourse 2013**:



Embassy of Canada
in **Berlin**

GOING TRANSATLANTIC THROUGH SPACE
canadian-german cooperation in the space sector

Environment Canada
in **Gatineau/Ottawa**

15 November 2013

(via video conference)

<http://gcc.cmg-af.org/gcc2013>

Topic

Canada, as a formal cooperating state in the European Space Agency (ESA), and Germany, as a leading member state of ESA, are interlinked in Europe's space endeavours. Beyond ESA, Germany and Canada additionally have a strong history of bilateral cooperation on a range of space projects.

This year's space-related theme addresses companies and institutional organizations working in the **space sector** and individuals **interested in developing their knowledge** of and **connections** to the German and Canadian space communities. The conference will highlight successful German-Canadian joint ventures in space, opportunities for cooperation in the future and current developments in German-Canadian space activities.

The conference will address topics such as **transatlantic business** models (including **business incubation programmes**), international **space policies**, strategic **bilateral cooperation**, and **technical accomplishments** through German-Canadian collaboration in space programmes.

Registration

Registration for the event is possible online:

<http://gcc.cmg-af.org/gcc2013>.



Schedule

The conference day will start with a **field trip** hosted by a company or organization.

The afternoon **conference session** will take place at the Embassy of Canada in Berlin. **Speeches** of company and organization representatives highlighting their engagement in the space sector will be followed by a **panel discussion** on various aspects of German-Canadian space activities.

The event will include a **reception** providing opportunities for **networking**.

Target Group

The conference addresses **companies, organizations** and **individuals** interested in Canadian-German exchange and in particular **Canadian-German space activities**. Invitees to the German Canadian Concourse (GCC) will include representatives from the space industry, research

institutes and national and international space agencies as speakers and participants for a panel discussion.

Due to the interdisciplinary nature of the GCC, we expect a diverse audience from various professional backgrounds.

A video conference session in Ottawa will allow participants to join the conference from across the Atlantic.

Background

The conference series **German Canadian Concourse (GCC – gcc.cmg-af.org)** is conceived as a platform for exchange among Canadian and German professionals on topics with relevance to both countries. On an annual basis, the GCC convenes at **Kanada Haus**, the premises of the Canadian Embassy in Berlin.

The **Embassy of Canada is patron** for the German Canadian Concourse programme which is owned and run by the **Canada Meets Germany Alumni Forum (CMG-AF)**.

The GCC series was initiated in October 2012 by CMG-AF with a conference on "Energy Efficiency in Transportation" (see <http://gcc.cmg-af.org/gcc2012>).

