



Internationally Educated Professionals Conference

A Free Symposium for Business Owners, Managers, Human Resource Personnel, and Internationally Educated Professionals

Monday, March 1st, 2010, 8.00am until 4.30pm
Four Points by Sheraton, Kingston

Itinerary

- 8:00-9.00** Registration and Breakfast (included)
- 9:00-10.00** Keynote: Steve Robbins, PhD
Unleashing the Power of Inclusion
- 10:00-11:00** Sector Panels: Tourism, Engineering, Public Service, Health
- 11:00-12.00** View Talent Board and the resources available to support your recruitment and hiring needs
- 12:00-1:00** Lunch (included)
- 1:00-3:15** Presentations by:
- Steve Robbins, PhD
 - John-Paul Hatala, PhD
 - Lionel Laroche, PhD
 - Ekta Singh
 - Cathy Lemmon
 - Deborah Fletcher
- 3:15-3:30** Employer Diversity Award Ceremony
- 3:30-4:30** Networking Reception

*Simultaneous translation English - French.
Registration must be received by February 25th, 2010.
Seating is limited! Register online at: www.keys.ca OR
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Keynote Speaker

Steve L. Robbins, Ph.D.

A powerful storyteller with a powerful story to tell, Dr. Steve L. Robbins has an unmatched ability to inspire people even in the midst of disrupting and challenging the way they think about the world. Born in Vietnam, Dr. Robbins immigrated to the United States when he was five years old. He and his mother faced many challenges as Vietnamese immigrants in a new land. Dr. Robbins now brings insightful perspectives on issues of diversity, inclusion, and the power of caring. Drawing upon a compelling life journey, his talks and workshops are filled with intriguing stories, laugh-out-loud humour and a keen understanding of the human condition.



Guest Presenters

John-Paul Hatala, Ph.D

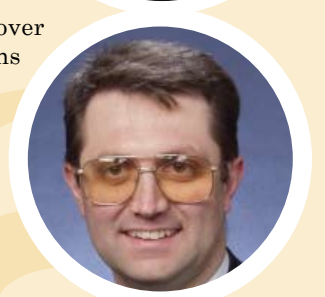
John-Paul Hatala has a passion for helping people tap into their networks by creating resources which enable individuals to achieve their goals. 'If people would just realize that a wealth of information is close at hand they would be able to utilize what their contacts know', says John-Paul. "A lot of people say they know a lot of people, but what's the value in that if we can't access the information that is available to us." His newest venture, is to provide everyone the opportunity to conduct a social network audit.



Lionel F. Laroche, Ph. D., P. Eng.

Lionel Laroche has provided cross-cultural training, coaching and consulting services to over 15,000 people in nine countries. Lionel specializes in helping professionals and organizations reap the benefits of cultural differences in their work.

Lionel is a very entertaining and educational speaker who has presented at over 150 conferences and venues. He is the author of over 100 publications examining the impact of cultural differences on business in general and technical functions (engineering, science, and software) in particular.



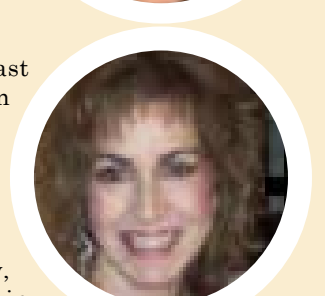
Ekta Singh

Ekta Singh is the Program Coordinator for Immigrant Services Kingston and Area (ISKA) and has worked in the areas of international education and settlement services for the last seven years. She has worked at a variety of International Student Offices at the University of Ottawa and at Queen's University and has been actively involved in developing and supporting anti-racism and anti-oppression initiatives on both campuses. A middle school educator, Ekta spent four years living and working overseas as a Social Science teacher in both Kuwait and Mexico. Her interest in intercultural studies and the experiences of marginalized groups led her to focus on these areas in her graduate studies. Ekta is a qualified facilitator for the Excell Socio-Cultural Competency Training Program.



Cathy Lemmon, International Programs Advisor for Queen's University

Cathy is responsible for a number of internationalization programs at Queen's University. Last year, Cathy did a study leave in Central America where she conducted intensive research on the experience of both the study abroad and the international student and learned first-hand the challenges of living and learning in a different culture and language. This experience fueled her passion for helping both international and study abroad students acclimatize to their new culture as quickly and easily as possible paving the way for their successful international experience. Cathy has extensive training in international education from the nationally-acclaimed International Educator's Training Program, based at Queen's University, as well as through the University of British Columbia where she received her Certificate in Intercultural Studies.



Deborah Fletcher, Senior Associate, OTEC (Ontario Tourism Education Corporation)

Deborah is an OTEC Senior Associate with extensive experience in Tourism and Hospitality Training and Human Resources. A certified program developer, Deborah holds a certificate in Adult Training and Development from the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE). She was the lead developer and customer service subject matter expert for the e-learning customer service program funded by Magna Carta and Police Services. Deborah has been with OTEC since 2006 and prior to joining the organization she owned and operated two training companies – Seasonal HR Solutions and PivotHR.

