

The Environmental Commissioner of Ontario (ECO) invites you to a conference

## **Ontario's *Environmental Bill of Rights (EBR)*: Successes, Challenges, and Opportunities**

Wednesday, February 12, 2014

Great Hall, Hart House, University of Toronto (7 Hart House Circle, Toronto)

### **AGENDA**

<b>TIME</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>SPEAKER(S)</b>
8:30-9:00	Registration and Coffee	
9:00-9:05	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Environmental Commissioner Gord Miller
9:05-9:15	Remarks on the History and Passing of the <i>EBR</i>	Former Minister of the Environment Bud Wildman
9:15-9:20	Remarks from the Minister of the Environment	Minister Jim Bradley
9:20-9:25	Remarks from the PC Environment Critic	MPP Michael Harris
9:25-9:30	Remarks from the NDP Environment Critic	MPP Jonah Schein
9:30-10:00	<u>Keynote</u> : The <i>EBR</i> and a Vision for Ontario	Dave McLaughlin (Faculty of Environment, University of Waterloo)
10:00-10:15	Refreshment Break	
10:15-11:00	Achievements and Successes of the <i>EBR</i>	Deputy Commissioner Ellen Schwartzel, Tyler Schulz and Michelle Kassel (ECO)
11:00-12:00	<u>Panel Discussion</u> : The Vision, Evolution and Implementation of the <i>EBR</i>	Former Minister Ruth Grier and some members of the <i>EBR</i> Task Force (Rick Lindgren, John Macnamara, Michael Cochrane)
12:00-1:00	Lunch	
1:00-1:30	<u>Presentation</u> : The Environmental Commissioner of Ontario: Reporting, Education and Outreach	Gord Miller
1:30-2:30	<u>Panel Discussion</u> : The <i>EBR</i> and Public Participation in Government Decision Making	Anastasia Lintner (Ecojustice), Lynda Lukasik (Environment Hamilton), Mark Mattson (Lake Ontario Waterkeeper), Anne Bell (Ontario Nature), Justina Ray (Wildlife Conservation Society Canada)
2:30-2:45	Refreshment Break	
2:45-3:45	<u>Panel Discussion</u> : The Successes, Weaknesses and Future of the <i>EBR</i>	David Donnelly, David Estrin, Dianne Saxe, and John Swaigen
3:45-4:00	Closing Remarks	Gord Miller

\*\*Please note that given the limited capacity, only pre-registered participants may attend the conference\*\*

\*\*The conference will be followed by a 5:00 p.m. reception in Committee Rooms 228 and 230 at Queen's Park. Note that only those that have pre-registered for the reception will be admitted entry by Queen's Park security\*\*