

Fostering Employer Investment in Workplace Learning: Views from Four Regional Roundtables

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What can we do to encourage greater employer investment in workplace learning, particularly in uncertain economic times?

A [new report](#) released by the Canadian Council on Learning's [Work and Learning Knowledge Centre](#) captures the views of key workplace decision makers who took part in roundtable dialogues that occurred in four Canadian cities between 2007 and 2008.

Organized in partnership with Canadian Policy Research Networks (CPRN), these "regional roundtables" on employer investment in workplace learning brought together senior representatives from business, labour, colleges, universities and the community sector in four Canadian cities: Toronto, Halifax, Yellowknife and Edmonton. These participants assessed the major workforce skills and training challenges facing their regions, and discussed some of the "best bets" for moving forward to address these challenges.

A copy of [Fostering Employer Investment in Workplace Learning: Report on a Series of Regional Roundtables](#), authored by Ron Saunders formerly of CPRN, is now available free of charge on the WLKC website www.ccl-cca.ca/WorkLearning. Interested individuals or organizations are encouraged to link to this report from their website or e-mail news bulletin. The report is also posted at www.cprn.org, the website of Canadian Policy Research Networks.

The Work and Learning Knowledge Centre (WLKC) is an initiative co-led by [Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters](#) and the [Canadian Labour Congress](#), and funded by the Canadian Council on Learning. The WLKC brings together a large national network of organizations to promote workplace learning in Canada.

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