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Ontario Harmonized Sales Tax:  
 Seminars geared to tackle your fears

Presentation with Bill MacQueen of BDO

Tuesday, April 13 - Mid-to-large business  
 Tuesday, April 20 - Not-for-Profit  
 Tuesday, April 27 - Trades

Breakfast and seminar from 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.  
 The sessions are **FREE** to attend!

**\*Change of venue\***

The April 13th seminar will be held at *Mississauga Convention Centre* (75 Derry Road West, Mississauga). The remaining two seminars on April 20th and 27th will be held at *Versailles Banquet Hall* (6721 Edwards Blvd.).



Be ready for HST:

Individuals interested in attending one or more of the seminars can contact Amanda at 905-273-6151 ext. 21 or [info@mbot.com](mailto:info@mbot.com).



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## FEDERAL NEWS & EVENTS

### Canada seeking to expand trade and investment in Kenya

Minister of International Trade Peter Van Loan, concluded a visit to Kenya where he promoted Canada as a supplier of high quality goods and services. While in Kenya he met with Kenyan Prime Minister Ralia Odinga and affirmed Canada's support for East African regional integration as well as discussed the benefits both Canada and Kenya could gain from cooperation in various sectors.

Minister Van Loan also participated in the signing of a memorandum of understanding between Canadian Commercial Corporation and energy consortium Murgina Holdings. The understanding involves developing a thermal power plant in Kenya and upgrading the country's power system capacity with Magellan Aerospace Limited of Mississauga.

Van Loan acknowledged that trade is constantly growing between Kenya and Canada; principal Canadian merchandise exports in 2009 consisted of machinery, textiles, vegetables, paper and paperboard. View more information [here](#).

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## PROVINCIAL NEWS & EVENTS

### Ontario increases minimum wage

As of March 31st Ontario raised its minimum wage to \$10.25, the seventh increase since 2004. The Government of Ontario started implementing the annual increase in 2004 and believes the increases balance the needs of hardworking families with the needs of small businesses that create jobs.

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## MUNICIPAL NEWS & EVENTS

### Ted Rogers School of Management holds conference entitled: "Engaging India: Doing Business with a Rising Giant"

Ryerson's School of Management will be holding its Third Annual CEO Outlook Conference on June 1st, 2010.

This year's conference will highlight and celebrate the contributions of Indo-Canadian business leaders as well as discuss opportunities for doing business in India. Some key speakers include

- *Bob Dhillon of Mainstreet Group*
- *Hari Panday of ICICI Bank Canada*
- *Rai Sahi of Morguard Corporation*
- *Prem Watsa of FairFax Financial Holdings*

The conference will run from 12:30 p.m. to 4:40 p.m. at the Ted Rogers School of Management on the corner of Bay Street and Dundas Street.

