



Host-Led Programming for International Delegates

Web Summit Vancouver Year Two

Meet investment- and export-ready companies. Connect with decision-makers. Unlock commercial opportunities in one of North America's fastest-growing innovation hubs at Web Summit Vancouver.



What is Web Summit Vancouver? Web Summit Vancouver is the North American edition of one of the world's largest and most influential technology conferences, bringing together global founders, investors, corporates, governments, and media. The event serves as a platform for deal-making, market entry, and global exposure across priority innovation sectors.

To maximize international connections around the time of Web Summit Vancouver, British Columbia and Canadian partners are coordinating a series of invitation-only and open events designed to link international delegates with high-growth companies, investment opportunities, ecosystem leaders, and regional initiatives. These partner-led activities, separate from the official Web Summit Vancouver program, create opportunities for investment, trade, innovation, and regional engagement, with a focus on meaningful, curated connections.

May 11 | Investor, Export & Innovation Engagement

<p>Investor Showcase 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Microsoft Vancouver</p>	<p>Kick-off to Web Summit Vancouver Networking Reception 6:00 PM Paradox Hotel</p>	<p>Tech Advantage Tours 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM UBC, SFU Surrey, CDM @ DigiBC</p>
<p>A curated pitch and networking event featuring investment-ready B.C. companies across priority sectors. Designed to connect international investors with high-potential ventures through structured presentations and targeted follow-up opportunities.</p> <p>Investor Registration →</p>	<p>An invitation-only networking reception hosted by Lawson Lundell bringing together international delegates, investors, legal and advisory leaders, senior ecosystem builders and industry leaders to foster relationship-building in a high-touch setting.</p>	<p>On May 11, experience how Metro Vancouver’s leading academic institutions support industry partners in translating breakthrough innovation into real opportunity. The Metro Vancouver region is a launchpad for R&D and commercialization, powered by internationally recognized talent, facilities, and capabilities that give new ideas room to grow. These curated, small group tours give investors a firsthand look at the region’s highest potential sectors to kick off your Web Summit Vancouver experience.</p> <p>Register →</p>

May 12–14 | Pavilion, Investment & Market Access

<p>BC Pavilion May 12 - 14 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Vancouver Convention Centre</p>	<p>Investor Networking Event at the BC Pavilion May 12 4:00 PM - 5:00PM Vancouver Convention Centre</p>	<p>B2B: Canada’s Companies Meet Investors and Tech Buyers May 12 - 13 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM Vancouver Club</p>
<p>The central hub for British Columbia at Web Summit Vancouver. The Pavilion showcases B.C. innovation, priority sectors, and regional strengths through programming, meetings, and informal networking. It serves as a landing point for international delegations, investors, and media.</p> <p>Learn More →</p>	<p>An informal networking event connecting current and prospective FDI clients and sharing their British Columbia journey. B.C. economic development organizations, government partners, and ecosystem leaders will provide information on foreign direct investment opportunities.</p> <p>RSVP →</p>	<p>Pre-matched, one-to-one business meetings between Canadian companies and international investors, corporates, and technology buyers. Designed to support concrete commercial outcomes, partnerships, and deal flow.</p> <p>Register →</p>

<p>Rise and Raise: Empowering Women in Tech Capital May 12 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM Dentons (250 Howe St, Vancouver)</p>	<p>Curated Meetings: Matching Companies and Investors May 13 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM SFU Venture Labs</p>
<p>A high-impact showcase Canada’s most dynamic women-owned and women-led tech ventures across diverse sectors, featuring panels, a fast-paced pitch session, and networking.</p> <p>Register →</p>	<p>An evening of curated meetings connecting companies with local and international investors. This session is designed to support focused conversations and meaningful connections across sectors and stages.</p> <p>Register →</p>
<p>Invest Vancouver Seminar: Connecting Indo-Pacific Companies to Metro Vancouver May 12 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM Bentall Centre</p>	<p>Invest Vancouver Seminar: Immigration, Incentives, and Talent May 13 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM The Stack (1133 Melville St, Vancouver)</p>
<p>Expert-led session hosted by Lawson Lundell LLP. Designed for global companies exploring expansion, these seminars offer practical, actionable insights into how to establish or grow operations in Metro Vancouver. From understanding the regional business environment to applying on-the-ground knowledge in real-world scenarios, these sessions equip you with the tools you need to move from interest to implementation.</p> <p>Register →</p>	<p>Expert-led session hosted by EY Law LLP and British Columbia Institute of Technology. Designed for global companies exploring expansion, these seminars offer practical, actionable insights into how to establish or grow operations in Metro Vancouver. From understanding the regional business environment to applying on-the-ground knowledge in real-world scenarios, these sessions equip you with the tools you need to move from interest to implementation.</p> <p>Register →</p>

May 13 | Regional & Economic Development Focus

<p>BC Regional Showcase 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM Vancouver Club</p>	<p>Canada’s EDOs and Foreign Investors B2B Meetings 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Vancouver Club</p>
<p>A networking event highlighting investment and business opportunities across B.C. Delegates can meet regional representatives, learn about their value propositions and investment opportunities, and explore expansion and partnership opportunities beyond Metro Vancouver.</p> <p>RSVP →</p>	<p>Structured meetings between Canadian economic development organizations and foreign investors to support location decisions, market entry, and long-term investment relationships.</p>