

# FWA Opens the Toronto Stock Exchange During International Business Conference

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Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX) welcomes the Financial Women's Association of New York during its 32nd International Business Conference taking place in Toronto and Vancouver, April 24 – 28, 2017. During this conference colleagues, industry leaders and partners in government and finance engage in panel discussions and networking opportunities. As Canada marks its 150th anniversary, this year's theme is Celebrating Women's Leadership.

On Wednesday, April 26th, the Toronto Stock Exchange (TMX) welcomed the Financial Women's Association during its 32nd International Business Conference, which was held last month in Canada for only the second time. While at the TMX, FWA delegates heard from a panel of some of Canada's leading journalists on the business and geographical landscape. Following the discussion, the more than 20 delegates were proud to open the TMX, one of the world's largest stock exchanges and a global center for mining and oil & gas companies.

It was an exciting week for FWA. Kim Hanson of BMO Capital Markets and Minahil Akmal of Deloitte co-chaired the international conference, which was held in Toronto and Vancouver April 24-28. The delegation also visited Niagara Falls on the Canadian side. The President of the FWA, Katrin Dambrot, chose to have the conference in Canada this year in honor of the country's 150th birthday, and given the important trade and business interests that Canada represents.

The purpose of the annual conference is to provide high-level industry networking as well as knowledge and exposure to financial services industry best practices outside of the United States.

At the Welcome Reception at BMO's headquarters in Toronto, delegates also had the opportunity to hear from the Honourable Navdeep Singh Bains, Canada's Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development, who spoke about the importance of diversity to helping companies prosper. Delegates were also treated to innovation tours including Deloitte's Greenhouse corporate lab and separately, MaRS, one of the largest urban hubs that helps start-up companies access investors and other investment partners.

Thanks to everyone who helped make the FWA tour such a success!