

Where Do We Go From Here?

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Input To FDI Future Priorities



- What work do you do with regard to SMEs? What data/research (in a perfect world) would assist you in this work? (Time Guideline: 20 minutes)
- In your view, what are the major challenges SMEs face in accessing financing? What data/research is needed to better understand these challenges? (Time Guideline: 20 minutes)
- Taking the ‘financing blinders’ off, what are the key issues related to SME growth in Canada? What data/research is needed to better understand these challenges? (Time Guideline: 15 minutes).
- Lastly, we would like you to prioritize your table’s views of the top 3 – 5 issues (one from each of the questions you’ve just discussed) that you think are key for SME success and that the SME FDI should contribute research on over the next 5 years. (Time Guideline: 10 minutes).