



Fall Harvest 2025 Event Schedule

Attendance at the Monday opening industry session beginning at 1:00pm is mandatory. Meetings with elected officials for participants will be scheduled throughout the day on Tuesday and Wednesday.

La présence à la séance d'ouverture pour l'industrie du lundi débutant à 13h00 est obligatoire. Les participants pourront rencontrer les élus lors d'entretiens qui auront lieu au cours de la journée du mardi et du mercredi.

Location: Fairmont Château Laurier, Ottawa, Ontario

Monday, November 24, 2025

12:30 pm: Welcome lunch at Chateau Laurier

1:00pm: Welcome and introduction – Ron Lemaire, CPMA President and Massimo Bergamini, FVGC Executive Director

1:10pm: Panel discussion – Fresh produce policy priorities on Parliament Hill

- MP Emma Harrison, Liberal member of the House of Commons Agriculture Committee
- MP Dave Epp, Conservative member of the House of Commons Agriculture Committee
- Député Yves Perron, porte-parole du Bloc Québécois en matière d'agriculture, d'agroalimentaire et de gestion de l'offre
- MP Gord Johns, NDP Critic for Agriculture
- Moderator: David Coletto, Abacus Data

2:00 pm: Produce and Politics – Insights into Canada's current political landscape

- Presenter: David Coletto, founder, Chair and CEO, Abacus Data

2:30 pm: Canada in the evolving trade environment

- Presenter: Steve Verheul, Principal, GT & Company Executive Advisors, and Canada's former chief negotiator of the Canada-US-Mexico Agreement (CUSMA)

3:00 pm: Break

3:15 pm: Group photo

3:30 pm: Team prep session

4:00 pm: Regroup and Closing remarks

No scheduled evening activities, participants responsible for own dinner



Tuesday, November 25, 2025

7:30 am to 9:30 am: Breakfast available

9:00 am to 5:00 pm (approx.): Parliamentary meetings (*participants responsible for own lunch*)

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm: Fall Harvest Reception at Chateau Laurier

- 6:45 pm: Introduction from Steve Bamford, CPMA Chair and Marcus Janzen, FVGC President, followed by remarks from Sophie Chatel, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-food

Wednesday, November 26, 2025

8:00 am to 8:30 am: Breakfast available (Fall Harvest participants and CGIM Industry Committee members)

8:30 am to 11:30 am: CPMA Government-Issue Management Industry Committee meeting

11:30 am to 12:30 pm: Lunch available (Fall Harvest participants and CGIM Industry Committee members)

11:30 am to 5:00 pm (approx.): Parliamentary meetings