



## You're Invited!

Please join us for an upcoming **business session with a complimentary breakfast** served at 8:30am. It will be an opportunity to discuss key business topics and get information about available resources and funding programs to help your business address issues related to competitiveness and growth. The second part of the event will seek business input into the potential expansion of the authority for municipalities to allow for blending of business and realty taxes.

When: October 6, 2015  
Where: Hotel Gander  
Time: 8:30am-11:00am

### **Topic Details**

#### **Part 1: Business Development**

Participants will interact face-to-face with business specialists from the Department of Business, Tourism, Culture and Rural Development (BTCRD) about key business areas such as marketing, human resources, and financial management. This will be an opportunity to ask questions, make linkages, and discuss the things that affect your operations day-to-day.

#### **Part 2: Blended Taxes Consultation**

During the Provincial - Municipal Fiscal Framework Review, municipalities requested Government to consider changes in legislation to grant authority to municipalities to implement a blended business commercial and realty tax. As part of the new Community Sustainability Partnership announced in Budget 2015, Government committed to initiate consultations regarding the **potential expansion of the authority for municipalities to allow for blending of business and realty taxes.**

The Department of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs, with support from BTCRD and the Office of Public Engagement, will conduct an in-person business engagement session regarding blended taxes. Ensuring that relevant business stakeholder's perspectives are heard, you are invited to participate.

Please RSVP for this event by contacting the Chamber at 256-7110, fax 256-4794 or e-mail: [chambergeneral@ganderchamber.nf.ca](mailto:chambergeneral@ganderchamber.nf.ca) on or before October 2, 2015.

**Business Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Number attending:** \_\_\_\_\_

We look forward to seeing you at the Breakfast!