

Agriculture Innovation Forum from AVAP

JANUARY 29TH, 2021 • 1-4PM

Program



1PM- WELCOME

Mike Manion, Innovation Day organizer and Entrepreneur-In-Residence, Foresight AVAP Accelerator

1:05PM- INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Honorable Lana Popham, Minister of Agriculture

1:15PM- HOW AGRICULTURE ACCELERATOR PROGRAMS SUPPORT BC AGRICULTURE TECHNOLOGY ENTREPRENEURS

Nadine Diner, Innovate BC
Elizabeth Thorsen, Foresight Accelerator

1:45PM- PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT TO BC AGRITECH SECTOR

Selena Basi, ADM, Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation

2:15PM- PANEL- HOW COVID AFFECTED AGRI-FOOD ENTREPRENEURS

Moderated by Dave Smardon, President/CEO, Bioenterprise
Hamlet Abnousi, Novobind
Cathline James, Wise-bites
Kirk Moir, Winecrush
Dr. Peter Awram, Worker Bee Honey

3:00PM- PANEL- SOLVING AGRICULTURE LABOUR ISSUES WITH INNOVATION AND ROBOTICS

Moderated by Tom Urban, Founder Agri Business Advisors
Mike Gardiner, Lyne Systems
Mike Boudreau, Tech-brew
Arthur Chan, Verdi
Anshul Porwal, Neupeak

4:00PM- CLOSING

