

**CSCMP Twin Cities Roundtable
Dinner**

February 16, 2012

“Beyond the Border: A Shared Vision for Perimeter Security and Economic Competitiveness”

**Speaker: Michael Flaherty, Consul and Senior Trade Commissioner , Canadian Consulate General
Minneapolis**

Mr. Flaherty took up his position in Minneapolis in September 2011. As Canada’s Senior Trade Commissioner he is responsible for the delivery of the commercial programming of the Consulate General in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa and Nebraska. The Consulate’s commercial program focuses on trade and investment development, as well as science and technology linkages.

Prior to his posting in Minneapolis, Mr. Flaherty served as the Consul and Senior Trade Commissioner in Buffalo, NY and as the Investment & Corporate Relations program manager in the Consulate General in Atlanta, GA.

Michael joined the Department of Industry in 1990 and held several senior positions with Canada’s Investment Promotion Agency, Industry Canada’s Small Business Secretariat and the Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Prior to joining Industry Canada, Michael spent 7 years on Parliament Hill in Ottawa as a political assistant to a Member of Parliament, the Minister of State for Small Business, the Minister of Agriculture, the Deputy Prime Minister and the Prime Minister of Canada.

Michael is a graduate of the University of Western Ontario, is married, and has two children.

Among the topics covered will be:

- Overview of the integrated trade between Canada and the US
- Harmonized approach to inboard cargo
- Joint off-shore food safety audits
- Common approach to traveler screening
- Coordinated entry and exit systems
- Common framework for Trusted Trader Programs
- Enhance facilities to support Trusted Trader Programs
- Single data portal/window
- Harmonize low value shipment processes
- Upgrades to border infrastructure investments
- Border wait time measurement system
- Alignment of cross-border RFDI technology

Schedule: Thursday, February 16

5:00 pm – 5:45 pm	Registration
5:45 pm – 6:15 pm	Dinner
6:15 pm	Presentation

Location:

Ramada Plaza
1330 Industrial Blvd.
Minneapolis, MN 55413
612-445-6330



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\$38.00 Non-Members
\$25.00 Faculty
\$ 0.00 Pre-registered Students
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