#BCTECHSummit Expands to South Fraser's Health and Technology District

Surrey Tech@NIGHT After-Hours Networking Experience
Tuesday, March 12, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

Vancouver & Surrey, B.C. – February 22, 2019 – For the first time, **#BCTECHSummit** is expanding its popular technology forum from Vancouver out into the Fraser Valley, representing the rapidly emerging tech sector across other parts of B.C.

Recognized as Western Canada's largest annual innovation event, #BCTECHSummit will complement its three-day Vancouver technology conference with a networking event hosted by the Health and Technology District in Surrey. The 2019 #BCTECHSummit will explore how we use emerging technologies – from AI to Robotics, Quantum to Cleantech, Blockchain to AR/VR – to solve the biggest challenges facing BC and the world today.

Surrey's Tech@NIGHT at the **Health and Technology District** is an after-hours mixed-reality networking experience focused on entrepreneurs, innovators and techies from B.C.'s extended innovation ecosystem. The evening event will feature mixed-reality entertainment featuring LED robots, VR artists, and more. The District features leading-edge technology based companies like Safe Software, Conquer Experience, Stambol Studios, HealthTech Connex, just to name a few.

Surrey's Tech@NIGHT at the Health and Technology District is supported by Accenture, the Surrey Board of Trade, the Downtown Surrey Business Improvement Association, and Colliers International Canada.

Complimentary bus transportation to and from the Surrey Tech@NIGHT event will be provided from the #BCTECHSummit Vancouver event.

Quotes:

Tomica Divic, VP of Operations at Innovate BC:
"It was a strategic decision to expand the #BCTECHSummit outside of Vancouver, in order to showcase all the Innovation and Technology developments underway across all of B.C. and in particular, some significant developments underway in Surrey. We also felt that attendees would be interested in new events and experiences at this year's Summit."

Elizabeth Model, CEO of the Downtown Surrey Business Improvement Association:
"Surrey's Downtown core is an economic driver for the City and the growth and expansion of this region is making it very attractive for businesses to move to the area. The Health and Technology District takes an incredible leadership role in our City through their unique partnerships with local, national and international organizations to place Surrey and South of the Fraser first and foremost in people's minds. We are very pleased to work collaboratively with key partners on this #BCTECHSummit Surrey event."

Anita Huberman, CEO of the Surrey Board of Trade:
"Surrey is where business happens through its innovation and entrepreneurship. Surrey will be the largest city in B.C. very soon. The Surrey Board of Trade is proud to work together with Surrey's Health and Technology District in supporting the #BCTECHSummit's first South Fraser networking event in Surrey."

Rowena Rizzotti, Vice President of Healthcare and Innovations at the Health and Technology District:
"The Health and Technology District is a hub where we bring together the most innovative companies with like-minded entrepreneurs, scientists, universities, global leading partners, multinational companies as well as new start ups to collaborate on technologies that will advance the emerging technology industry in British Columbia. We are excited to host this #BCTECHSummit Tech@NIGHT event to gather, network and share ideas with edge-thinking individuals from the Lower Mainland and the Fraser Valley."

Surrey Tech@NIGHT Hosted by the Health and Technology District
Tuesday, March 12, 2019
City Centre 2 – Main Floor
9639 - 137A Street, Surrey
RSVP: https://healthandtechnologydistrict.com/tech-at-night/

About #BCTECHSummit:
Hosted by the B.C. Government and Innovate BC, the #BCTECHSummit is Western Canada's largest annual innovation event. The #BCTECHSummit showcases B.C.'s vibrant technology industry, builds cross-sector and cross-border opportunities for businesses and explores the latest ideas and innovations solving challenges and fueling the global economy. Every year, the #BCTECHSummit brings together technology leaders, industry executives, investors, senior government officials, researchers and students to connect and share insights, experiences and opportunities. www.bctechsummit.ca

About the Health and Technology District:
The Health and Technology District is one of B.C.'s most rapidly growing and dynamic new health-tech sectors located in Surrey's emerging innovation ecosystem. It has a unique advantage being ideally located directly across from Surrey Memorial Hospital, one of Canada's busiest hospitals. The District is where a collaborative cluster of multinational and start-up companies, international partners, clinical and research facilities, scientists, innovators and entrepreneurs, work together in partnership to accelerate the implementation of technologies and solutions towards health care impacts and improvements. www.HealthandTechnologyDistrict.com

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