

I.E.Canada

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Who we are

The Canadian Association of Importers and Exporters Inc., known as I.E.Canada, is a not-for-profit association that represents importers and exporters of every commodity, as well as service providers to the trade community. With over 800 members across Canada and abroad, I.E.Canada is committed to providing services to develop and enhance the international trade activity and profitability of our members through:

- **Consultation**— to further the interests and address the concerns of individuals members on any trade related subject;
- **Representation**— to represent members and convey their views on international trade issues to the Canadian federal government;
- **Communication**— to provide members with the most current information on trade policy developments; and
- **Education**— to provide knowledge and training on customs and trade issues.

What we do for our members

The association offers the following services:

- **I.E.Today** - Daily e-mails connect members with critical current events and news on trade and customs issues.
- **Tradeweek** - Newsletters, published twice each month, offer in-depth articles and updates about customs and international trade.
- **I.E.Global** - Our bi-annual magazine features articles by prominent trade experts and senior government officials on current international trade issues.
- **Membership Directory** - Find out “who’s who in trade.” The membership directory is an excellent source for developing contacts in international trade.
- **Seminars and Conferences** - Our events and forums, held across Canada, offer access to timely information and opportunities to network with government representatives and colleagues.

Committees - play an integral part in providing our members with an outlet to discuss issues that are important to them as well as learn and share valuable industry knowledge and up-to-date information. I.E.Canada draws on the wealth of expertise gathered from committee members for submissions, proposals and letters on various government initiatives, policies and programs. Committees include:

Issue Based -

- **Customs & Legislation Committee (C&L)**
- **Export Committee (EX)**
- **Trade Security Committee (TSC)**

Sector Specific -

- **Canadian Meat Importers & Exporters Committee (CMIEC)**
- **Electronic Imports Committee (EIC)**
- **Food Committee (FC)**
- **International Cheese Council of Canada (ICCC)**
- **Textile & Apparel Committee (TAC)**

Link to Governments and the Global Marketplace—The association works with embassies in Ottawa, Washington, and around the world to keep members informed about international trade issues and to represent our members’ interests globally.

I.E.Canada is respected by Canadian and foreign governments. We are also your link to the following Canadian government departments and agencies:

- Canada Border Services Agency
- Canada Revenue Agency
- Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada
- Canadian Food Inspection Agency
- Industry Canada
- Department of Finance
- Transport Canada
- Health Canada

Member Snapshot

I.E.Canada has member companies of all sizes, the majority are larger businesses with over 500 employees. Members have a tremendous loyalty to the association - over 100 companies have been with the association for more than 25 years. Of these, 20 have been members for more than 50 years! Members have made a long term commitment to I.E.Canada and have very clear ideas about what they need to succeed and the kinds of support vehicles they require. For over 77 years, I.E.Canada has been listening to members and working on their behalf to ensure that their needs are being heard.

Members’ Top trade challenges:

1. **Compliance** with regulations, customs requirements and security.
2. **Knowledge** and the means to keep up-to-date and informed with issues related to trade and customs processes.
3. Understanding and mitigating the **risks of global trade**.