



SOUTH OKANAGAN  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
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To Whom It May Concern:

The Board of Directors of the South Okanagan Chamber of Commerce, representing over 400 members, supports the International Institute for Sustainable Regional Economies Inc.'s application to Western Economic Diversification for their partnership research toward economic stability in Canada, Sweden and elsewhere.

The Chamber has a mandate to promote, support and strengthen the free enterprise system and democratic principles. We believe this research will provide critical answers to issues that hamper investment and development of sustainable economic production for the business community.

The Chamber is developing programs aimed at creating a high level of economic awareness and maintaining an entrepreneurial spirit at all community, educational and political levels. The aforementioned research, when complete, will provide us, as well as other Chambers in our network, with important information we can use to develop these programs.

The research may provide information we would use to develop policies around issues of economic stability that would be presented to appropriate levels of government.

Yours truly,

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