

James Sbrolla

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James Sbrolla: Cleantech Bridge to the Investment Industry

Biography

James Sbrolla is a veteran of the financial and environmental industries. His career has been focused primarily on public and private companies in the “Clean-Tech” sector.

He is Chairman of Environmental Business Consultant and serves on other boards including Actual Media, WE Communications and BlueZone Technologies.

James is also an “Entrepreneur in Residence” in the Business Accelerator Program funded by Ontario’s Ministry of Research and Innovation. In this mentorship role, he coaches entrepreneurs and technology developers through the process of commercialization. He also is a “qualified expert” for the Investment Accelerator Fund and sits on the Ontario Centers of Excellence funding panel as a Cleantech domain expert. He regularly conducts due diligence for institutional investors and other organizations.

A widely-published and often quoted journalist in business media, James has written on a variety of topics including a multi-national study on finance, the environment and sustainable development. James is a graduate of the University of Western Ontario and Wilfrid Laurier University (WLU) and in 2011 graduated from the Institute of Corporate Director’s Program at the Rotman School of Business at the University of Toronto. He is also past faculty at WLU.

Availability

Keynote, Moderator, Panelist, Workshop, Host/MC

Industry Expertise

Cleantech, International Trade and Development, Management Consulting, Program Development, Renewables and Environmental, Sanitation and Waste Management, Travel and Tourism

Areas of Expertise

Clean Tech, Land Use Development, Environmental Technologies, Recycling, Waste Management and Remediation, Environmentally Sustainable Business Practices, Urban Planning

Affiliations

ICD.D, Institute of Corporate Directors

Sample Talks

International Cleantech Study

This three-year project investigated environmental issues from a Canadian perspective analyzing the world market. The objectives of the study were three-fold:

1. To explore environmental opportunities for Canadian companies abroad
2. To share Canadian technological advances with the rest of the world
3. To explore remediation technologies and techniques for use in Canada

The study included 60 countries on six continents, all ten provinces, and 25 states in the US.

Event Appearances

10 Trends in Cleantech Investing

The Business of Cleantech: Opportunities, Innovation and Funding

International Cleantech Study

Three Years, Sixty Countries... What's going on in the World of Cleantech!

Growing Your Business Breakfast Series

Four Year Series Presented by the RIC Centre

Education

University of Western Ontario

B.A. Administrative and Commercial Studies

Wilfrid Laurier University - Graduate Accolade in Management

Management

Rotman

ICD.D ICD Directors Program

Accomplishments

Entrepreneur-in-Residence - RIC Centre

The Research, Innovation, Commercialization Centre (RIC) was launched in 2008 as a not-for-profit organization supporting the development of innovation and entrepreneurship in Mississauga, Brampton and Caledon. RIC Centre provides commercialization support to help new entrepreneurs and seasoned business people take technical innovations to market.

Board Roles- Various

Active board member: Actual Media (publishers of ReNew, Canada's Infrastructure Magazine & Water Canada Magazine), BlueZone Technologies, We Communications, Green Students Fundraising and HR Logic

Chairman- Environmental Business Consultants

Founder of the firm, serving clients in the clean-tech & financial services sectors. Assist clients with business strategy & implementation and merger & acquisition projects, financial analysis and due diligence. Clients include public & private companies, institutional investors Stewardship Organizations and government.

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