

# Jane Kearns

**Senior Advisor at MaRS Cleantech**

Toronto, ON, CA

Successful entrepreneur with extensive experience in sustainable innovation

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## Description

Jane is a recognized leader in sustainable innovation, with extensive experience growing companies at the intersection of business and sustainability. She co-founded, grew and profitably sold a full-service renewable energy company, Clean Energy Developments, and leverages over 15 years of experience in the environmental finance, cleantech and sustainability sectors to help build businesses that matter.

Throughout her career, she has advised entrepreneurs and executives on project and equity financing, mergers and acquisitions, strategic planning and business development. She also helped launch Columbia Business School's first environmental finance course, which continues to be taught in its MBA and EMBA programs, as well as at Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs.

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## Availability

Moderator, Panelist, Host/MC

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## Industry Expertise

Market Research, Energy, Cleantech, Research, Renewables and Environmental

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## Topics

Sustainability, Renewable Energy, Energy and Resource Efficiency, Relationship Management, Strategy Development, Clean Technology, Technical Team Management

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## Affiliations

Cleantech Group, Canadian CSR & SD Practitioners, Bond Consulting Group, CleanTech North, Columbia Business School, Social Finance

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## Education

**Columbia University - Columbia Business School**  
MBA Finance

**The University of Calgary**  
BSc Biology

## **Accomplishments**

### **Clean Energy Developments, Co-founder**

Co-founder of Clean Energy Developments, a company that provides complete, turnkey installations, including engineering, design, loop installation, and access to industry leading equipment.

### **Green Drinks Toronto, Co-founder**

Green Drinks Toronto is where environmental professionals and Torontonians can meet over drinks to discuss topics of interests on the environment in a relaxed and agenda-free event of enviro-meeting and greeting.

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