

SCC Ontario Chapter Meeting

"NRC Stimulates Wealth Creation Through Innovation" -Neil Kochar

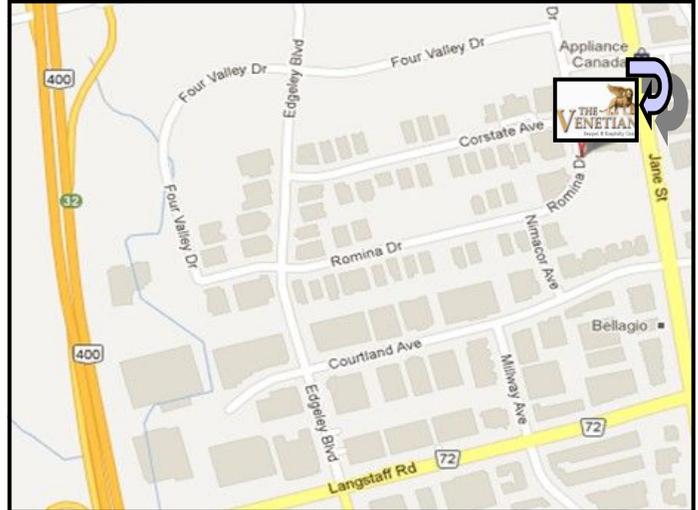
"Organic Cosmetics" -Shahin Kalantari

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 8th, 2018

Location: The Venetian Banquet & Hospitality Centre
219 Romina Drive, City of Vaughan,
ON, L4K 4V3
(tel: 905-264-9960)

Time: 5:00 p.m. Cocktails
6:00 p.m. Dinner
7:00 p.m. Presentation
8:00 p.m. Adjournment

Fees: \$45 pre-paid SCC member
\$55 pre-paid non-member
\$10 pre-paid student
\$60 at the door



Abstract :

Established in 1962, IRAP is an NRC program aimed at providing innovation assistance to Canadian small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs). The mandate of IRAP is to "stimulate wealth creation for Canada through innovation," and its mission is to "accelerate the growth of SMEs by providing them with a comprehensive suite of innovation services and funding." We try to create a whole ecosystem of public and private enterprise comprising of SMEs, startups, academics and our international partners with similar goals"

Bio:

Neil Kochar
Industrial Technology Advisor (NRC-IRAP)
National Research Council of Canada.

Neil Kochar is an Industrial Technology Advisor at of the National Research Council of Canada's Industrial Research Assistance Program (NRC IRAP). He joined NRC in 2004.

Prior to joining IRAP, Neil had an extensive (30+ years) senior level technology and business development experience in the private and the public sector. His prior work experience includes corporations such as TMX Group (Toronto Stock Exchange), Nortel Networks, Honeywell Aerospace and CAE Electronics. He has also held several technical consulting and project management roles with Canadian Federal Government Agencies such as Government Telecom Informatics Service (GTIS), PWGSC and Transport Canada.

Earlier in his career with Communications Canada, Neil worked on a pioneering project with a consortium of The Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) and National Research Council for the introduction and launch of the Internet (CA*net) service for the *first time* in Canada. Neil's extensive background in ICT/Internetworking is complimented by strong international collaboration through innovation activities covering several regions of North America and other global partner countries.

His current role, in addition to helping Canadian SMEs grow through technical innovations, Neil is NRC-IRAP's India lead for the Canadian International Innovation Program (CIIP). He is actively engaged in an ecosystem of Canadian companies, MNEs, academia and International Partners to enhance productivity and competitiveness for Canadian SMEs while promoting interests of Canada in the global marketplace. Neil holds an Electrical Engineering degree from Dalhousie University (formerly known as The Technical University of Nova Scotia).

Abstract:

Organic Cosmetics

What are certified organic cosmetics? How can we upgrade our knowledge to develop organically regulated cosmetic and toiletry products.

Consumer concerns about “chemicals” in cosmetics & toiletries in recent years has led the industry to develop organic and natural certified organic products. Different regulations have been adopted in North America, Europe and worldwide to fit this purpose. Formulation of these products and supply of organic ingredients, along with processing challenges are of concern for the whole industry. Due to this demand, organic farming is growing every year, which will supply the food and organically processed ingredients for Cosmetic industry. The “Organic market” has been developing since around 2000, and is still growing day to day.

As this important market further develops, it is more important than ever that the Cosmetic formulators upgrade their knowledge in this area in order to work more effectively in this field.

Bio:

Shahin Kalantari is devoting his chemical expertise in the Cosmetic Industry to develop Natural and Organic personal care products. In 2007, he has introduced one of the first certified organic product line, in North America.

Shahin has hands on developing products/ brands of Natural and Organic Skincare, Personal Care, Sun Care, Cosmetic Products, Medicinal (NPN) and Household Products; following regulations such as USDA, or Ecocert/Cosmo, and conventional products. Meanwhile, he develops QC processes in manufacturing plants to meet the product requirement.

Shahin is a board member of The Society of Cosmetic Chemists and previous chair of SCC Ontario Chapter. He is a professor at Seneca College who teaches formulation labs in the cosmetic chemistry program.

