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Frank Valeriote hosts Food E-Summit on Friday

Frank Valeriote, Member of Parliament for Guelph, is joining Canadians in a cross-Canada e-summit on Friday to begin grassroots consultations towards a comprehensive food policy for Canada.

"As we search for solutions to shore up our economic health, we must remember that health and social safety nets are essential ingredients to boosting the economy," said Valeriote. "I am pleased that so many of those involved in Canada's food industry in Guelph took the opportunity to share their ideas in this summit."

"Canadians are expecting us to work together to deliver a stimulus package that boosts the economy, creates jobs, and improves our social safety net. A comprehensive food policy for Canada is one way that we can improve our economic and social health," said Valeriote.

The summit was divided into five working groups that discussed the following aspects of Canadian food policy:

The Global Forces of Food Security
Ecological Threats to Food Security
Food Production/Distribution
Food Safety and Public Health
Food Security and Poverty: Pay the Rent or Feed the Kid?

Members of the media are welcome to attend the Food Summit.

**Place
Address
Friday, January 23, 2009
Time**

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