

Agenda
TIEDI Roundtable Session 4

**Immigrant Transitions from Underemployment to
Skills-commensurate Employment**

Friday, March 9, 2012, 1:30pm-4:30pm
York Research Tower, Room 519
York University, 4700 Keele Street, Toronto

- 1:00-1:30pm:** Registration/ lunch
- 1:30-1:35pm:** Welcome. Introduction by Dr. John Shields, (Professor, Ryerson University/ TIEDI)
- 1:35-1:45pm:** Presentation by Dr. Steven Tufts (Associate Professor, York University/ TIEDI)
- 1:45-2:00pm:** Large group discussion to Question 1 facilitated by Steven: *What data would help us to better understand the dimensions of underemployment within a given sector or workplace?*
- 2:00-2:45pm:** Large group discussion 2 facilitated by Joan Atlin (Director of Programs, Toronto Region Immigrant Employment Council (TRIEC)/ TIEDI): *What are the challenges of moving from skills mismatch to skills commensurate employment from the perspective of skilled immigrants, employers, service providers, and government/policy makers?*
- 2:45-3:00pm:** Coffee break
- 3:00-3:45pm:** Small group discussion 3 facilitated by John Shields, Steven Tufts, Joan Atlin, and Stella Park): *What program and policy initiatives would support immigrants moving into appropriate levels of employment? What would work from the perspective of skilled immigrants, employers, service providers and program funders?*
- 3:45-4:00pm:** Small groups report back
- 4:00-4:30pm:** Wrap-up and Conclusion

Thank you for your participation