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#### INSTITUTE FOR DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING RESEARCH

- The Institute (IDIR) was formed by the Ministry of Research and Innovation, Ontario Government, with an initial investment of \$5 million.
- Established to foster a multi-sectored approach involving private and public sector partners and all levels of government.
- Foster the growth of collaborative partnerships and commercialization opportunities nationally and in the global environment.



#### **Innovation Focus**



## IDIR develops innovative systems and products in four areas of applied research and development:

- Nanotechnology Development for New Innovative Products.
- Industrial Imaging Innovation and Commercialization for the Aerospace and Automotive Sector Markets.
- Biomedical Development of Non-Intrusive Medical Diagnostic
   Technologies' and Systems' Applications in the Area of Medical Diagnostics.
- Biometric Innovation and Commercialization for the Security Sector Markets.





#### Developing Partnership and Collaboration

Six months of preparation and planning with IDIR and RUSNANO Corporation to develop the set of 2-day business meetings and 2-day workshop.

#### Challenges:

- Communications across significant time zones.
- Clarity in developing objectives and respective strategies.
- Securing the key people in the field.
- Coordinating many players and meetings both private & public.
- Operating in two languages.

# Canada-Russia Nanotechnology Week April 6 to 9<sup>th</sup> 2009





#### Ontario Government Meetings April 6<sup>th</sup> 2009



# Meetings with key Ontario Government Officials included:

- Hon. Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario
- Hon. Dwight Duncan, Minister of Finance
- Hon. John Wilkinson, Minister of Research and Innovation
- Mr. Monte Kwinter, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of International Trade and Investment
- Mr. George Ross, Deputy Minister, Research and Innovation



#### NANOTECHNOLOGY WORKSHOP WINDSOR, ONTARIO April 7 & 8<sup>th</sup> 2009







### Federal Government Meetings April 9<sup>th</sup> 2009



# Meetings with key Federal Government Officials included:

- Industry Canada
- Export Development Corporation
- National Research Council Canada
- Ministry of International Trade



#### **Moving Forward**



- Set up a Collaboration Mechanism to proceed.
- Investigate the feasibility of a joint Russia-Canada Fund for Innovation Development.
- Feasibility of creating a Joint-Working Group to support selection and primary assessment of Nanotechnology Projects.
- Test Collaboration Mechanism
  –Launch Pilot Projects.
- Achieve a specific agreement by Dec. 31, 2009





## **THANK YOU**