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## SUSK and UCPBA-Toronto organize a Panel Discussion on Networking

On Thursday October 2, 2014, a networking event and panel discussion, entitled “*Transitions: How to Network Effectively*”, was organized by the Ukrainian Canadian Students’ Union (SUSK) and the Ukrainian Canadian Professional and Business Association of Toronto (UCPBA-Toronto). Over 60 participants attended the event that was generously hosted by St. Vladimir Institute in Toronto.



**UCPBA-Toronto President Taras Hetmanczuk moderates a panel including (left to right): Orest Sushko, John Koshyk, Marc Marzotto, Eugene Roman, and Andy Semotiuk at St Vladimir Institute**

Keynote speaker **Andy Semotiuk**, a SUSK alumnus, an Immigration Lawyer at Pace Law Firm, and author of “*The Young Professional*” addressed the participants, emphasizing the importance of critically reflecting upon one’s identity to find one’s proper career niche. He shared several anecdotes from his experiences as an immigration lawyer working in both Canada and the United States.



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Semotiuk was joined by four panel discussants: John Koshyk, Marc Marzotto, Eugene Roman, and Orest Sushko. The panel discussion was moderated by UCPBA-Toronto President Taras Hetmanczuk. Each discussant shared their experiences, speaking to opportunities for development, networking, career transitions, work-life balance, and giving back to the community. The diverse backgrounds and experiences of the panel discussants offered students and recent graduates a variety of perspectives to learn from. For instance, **Marc Marzotto**, an Associate Portfolio Manager at Gryphon Investment Counsel, outlined various means for networking, in the spheres of culture, vocation, education, charity, and politics. **John Koshyk**, an Associate Vice President at TD Bank Group, outlined various transitions he experienced in his career, and also explained his motivation for establishing “*Ukrainians on Bay St*”, a community networking organization for professionals working in Toronto’s downtown core. In addition, **Orest Sushko**, an Independent Motion Picture and Film Professional, detailed the role networking plays in the creative process of work in the music industry. Finally, **Eugene Roman**, Chief Technology Officer at Canadian Tire and Co-Owner of Rosewood Estates Winery, discussed networking in the context of managing multiple businesses and employees.

SUSK and UCPBA-Toronto would like to thank the evening’s panel discussants as well as our sponsors, Ukrainian Credit Union Limited and The New Pathway, for their time and generous support.

For event photos, please visit:

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