

Blended Finance: Elevating Approaches to Catalytic Capital

March 5th & 6th, 2026

Day 1: 8:30 AM – 7:30 PM

Topic	Speakers/Activity	Time
Coffee and Tea		8:30 – 9:00 AM
Introduction and Welcome	Event Hosts	9:00 – 9:30 AM
The 'Why of Blended and Catalytic Capital'	Sara Wolfe – Equity Cubed	9:30 – 10:15 AM
Break		10:15 – 10:45 AM
Blended and Catalytic Capital in Action	Ruth Shaber – Tara Health Foundation Pranay Samson – Plan Catalyst	10:45 – 11:45 PM
Setting the Context	Event Hosts	11:45 – 12:15 PM
Lunch		12:15 – 1:00 PM
Live Case Studies – Blended Finance in Action (Breakouts)	Social Purpose Real Estate Food Security and Regenerative Agriculture Arts and Culture Climate and Community Energy	1:00 – 2:15 PM
Break – Networking		2:15 – 2:45 PM
Cosmos Club and Question Curiosities	Event Hosts	2:45 – 3:45 PM
Real World Applications	Event Hosts	3:45 – 4:15 PM
MOVE (Break)		4:15 – 4:30 PM

Holding the Centre – Filling the Missing Middle between Philanthropy and Market Rate Returns	Panel	4:30 – 5:30 PM
Networking (at Roundhouse)		5:30 – 6:30 PM
Curated Dinners	Ruth Shaber: Dinner for Foundations Urmi Sengupta: Dinner for Systems and Collaboration Alex Tveit: Systems Investing and Affordable Housing Julia Grady and Kristi Fairholm Mader: Small Funds Unite!	7:30 PM

Day 2: 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM

Topic	Speakers/Activity	Time
Coffee, Tea, and Snacks		8:00 – 9:00 AM
Welcome	Event Hosts	9:00 – 9:15 AM
Heading for Change	Sana Kapadia – Heading For Change Pranay Smason – Plan Catalyst	9:15 – 10:00 AM
Break		10:00 – 10:30 AM
Blended Finance Tools and Approaches (Breakouts)	State of the Canadian Private Investing Market Catalytic Capital and Innovative Finance – More Than Derisking It Takes Two Hands to Clap – Being Intentional About Where Capital Flows	10:30 – 11:15 AM

	Anatomy of a Blended Finance Deal – From Investment Thesis to Legal Structures	
Strengthening the Movement	Event Hosts	11:30 – 12:30 PM
Topic Lunch		12:30 – 1:30 PM
Getting to Scale – Advancing Towards \$1T	Panel	1:30 – 2:30 PM
Closing and Reflections	Sara Wolfe – Equity Cubed Kelly Gauthier – Realize Capital Partners Event Hosts	2:30 – 3:30 PM