

# Spruce Grove Update

March 27, 2023







### Outline

**Edmonton Global overview** 

Mission, region, transformational opportunities, how we work, our partners

2022 in review

Opportunity pipeline, outbound missions, inbound visits, conferences, final investment decisions (\$ and jobs), roundtables, international trade action plan

How we work together

Portal, opportunity sharing, travel, engagements

Looking forward

Outbound and inbound missions, conferences, roundtables, working groups, new trade and investments

Q&A



## Edmonton Global's Corporate Objectives

As a foreign direct investment (FDI) and international business development company, we work as an ally to attract investment to, and promote trade from, Canada and our region.

#### Advance Economic Development

Advance economic development and cooperation in and among stakeholders located in the Edmonton Metropolitan Region

## Attract and Retain

Promote globally to attract and retain business investment in the region

#### Regional Brand, Database & Strategy

Pursue a **regional brand**, **database** and economic development **strategy** 

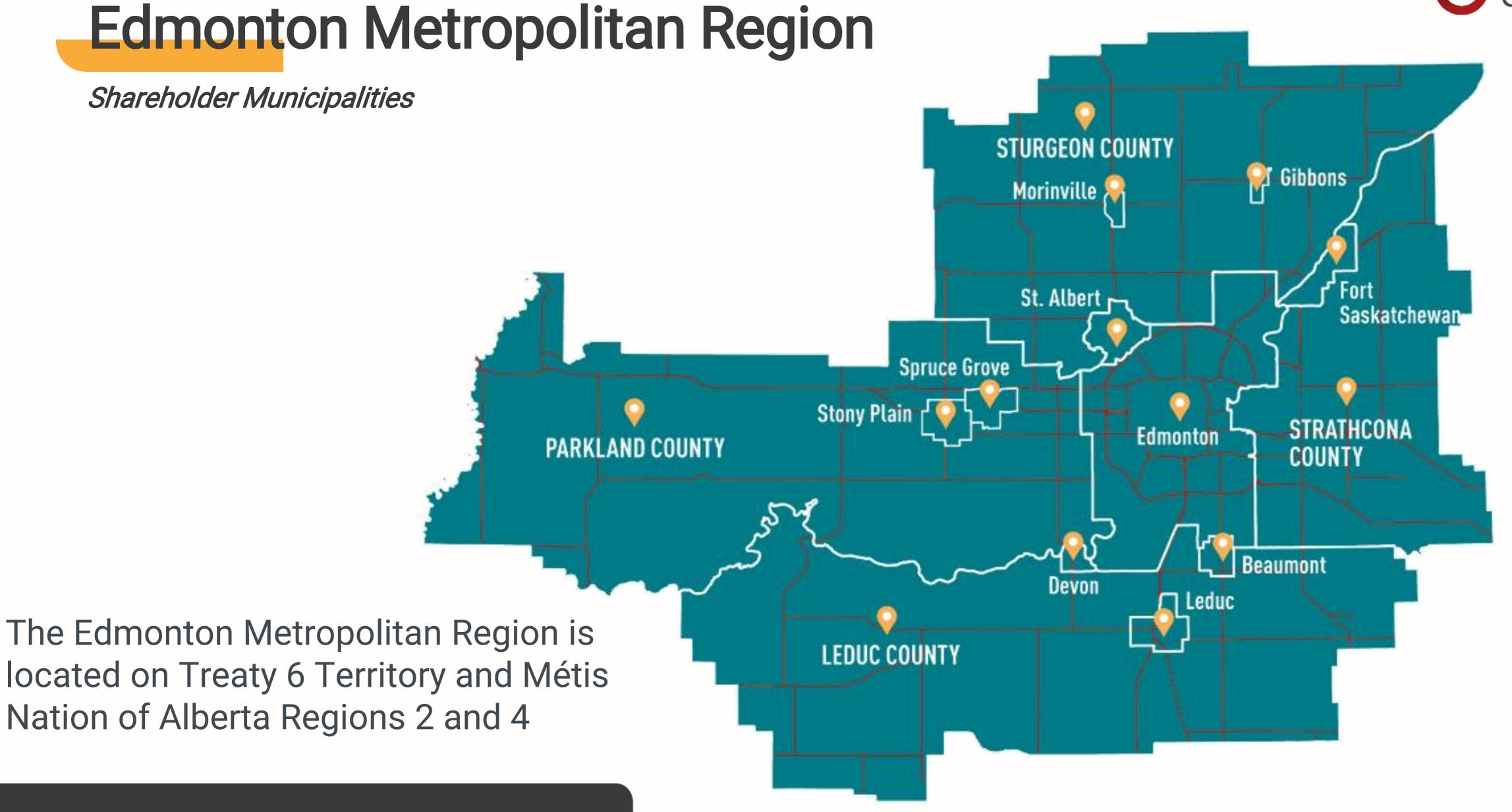
#### Advocate

Advocate at the local, provincial, and federal levels for policy that removes barriers to economic development in the region

## Business and investment

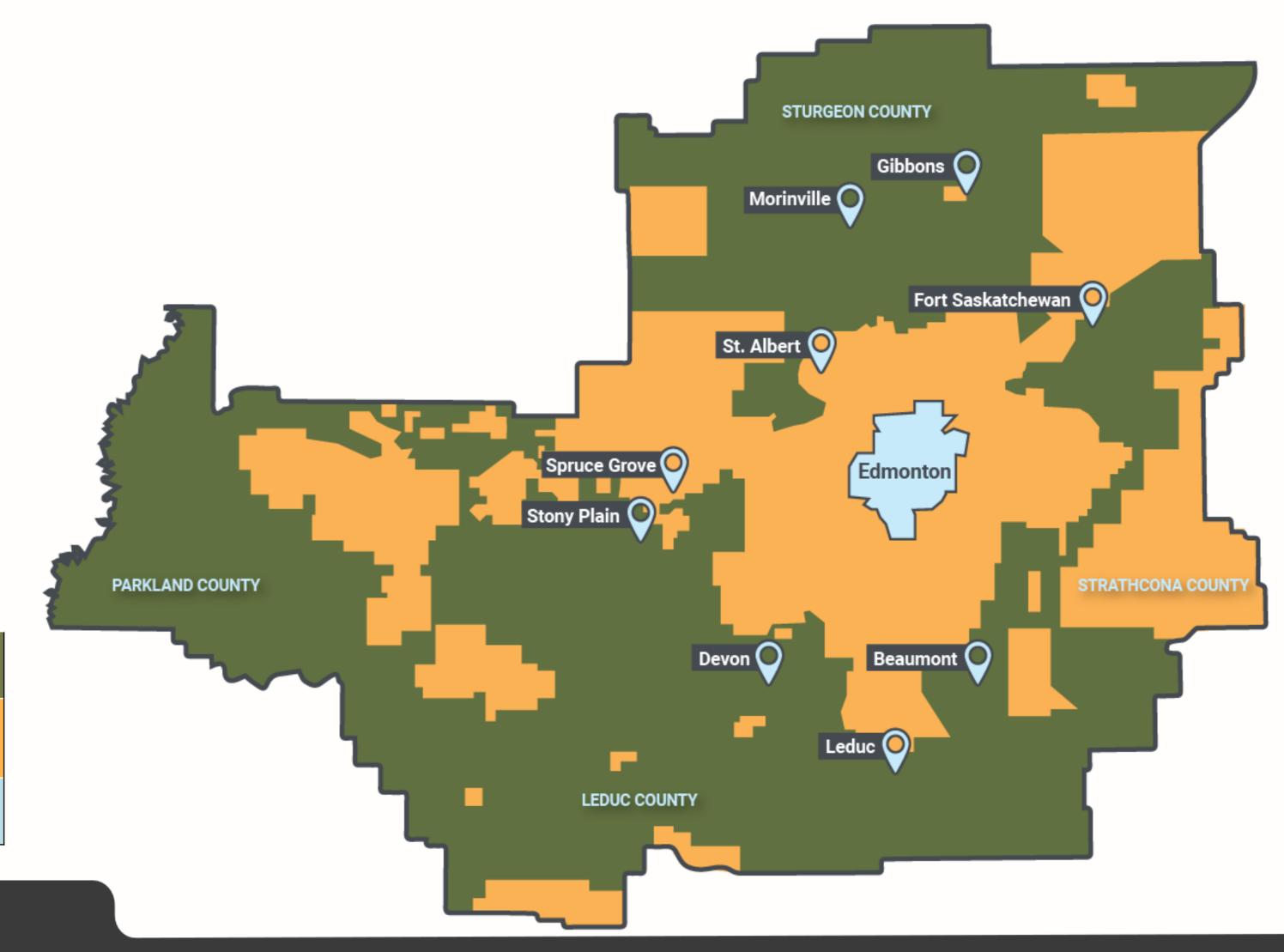
Pursue business and investment opportunities to support the region







#### Unique mix of Rural/Agricultural, Industrial, and Urban



Rural/Agricultural

**Blended Agricultural and Industrial** 

Urban



### Transformational Opportunities



#### Energy & Clean Technology

- \$100B opportunity
- Hydrogen Hub
- Carbon Capture



#### Health & Life Sciences

- Pharmaceuticals R&D and manufacturing
- Diabetes



## Food & Agriculture

- Value-added agriculture
- 1:1 vs 1:3
- Plant proteins



#### Global Logistics & Supply Chain

- Port Alberta
- Foreign Trade Zone



AI & Tech

- Ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> globally in AI
- Fast growing tech hub

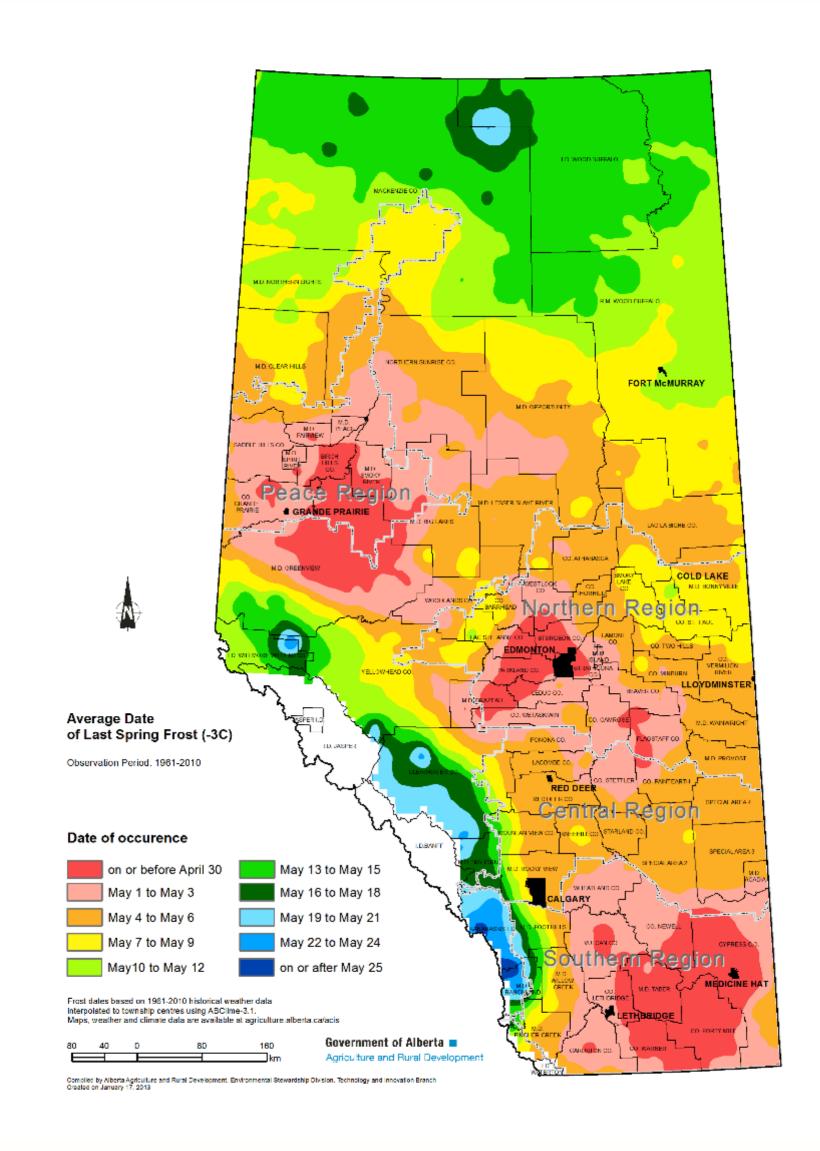


#### Uniqueness of region – value to agribusiness

- Edmonton region occupies a unique microclimate with high potential for diversification
- Large urban base + strong agriculture potential creates significant opportunity
- Opportunities in value-added agriculture
- Focus on environment
- Transportation routes (e.g., Anthony Henday)

By global standards, regional soil quality, climatic stability, and water availability will be key future economic drivers

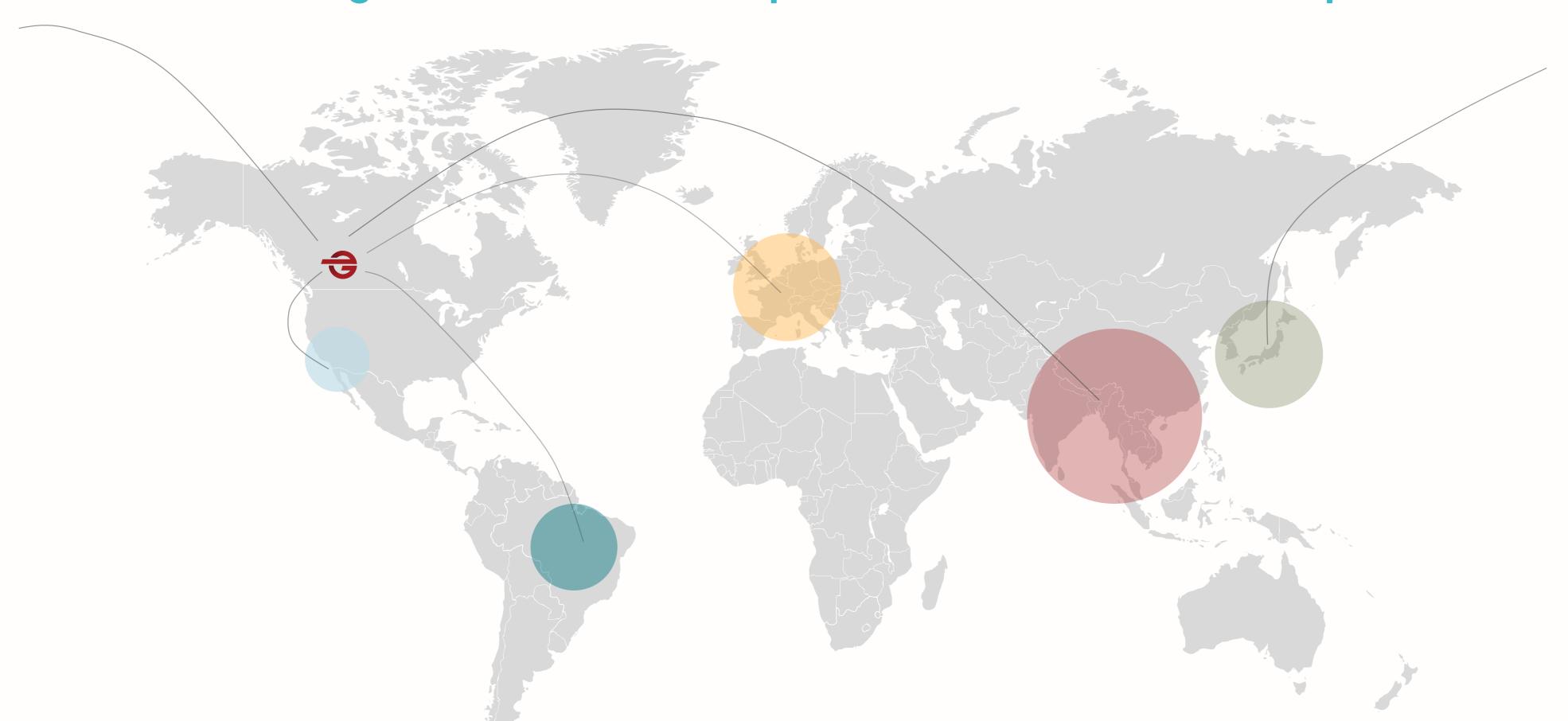
Edmonton Global is promoting the untapped potential of the region





#### Access to 1.5 billion customers

Trade agreements and transportation routes that are unparalleled

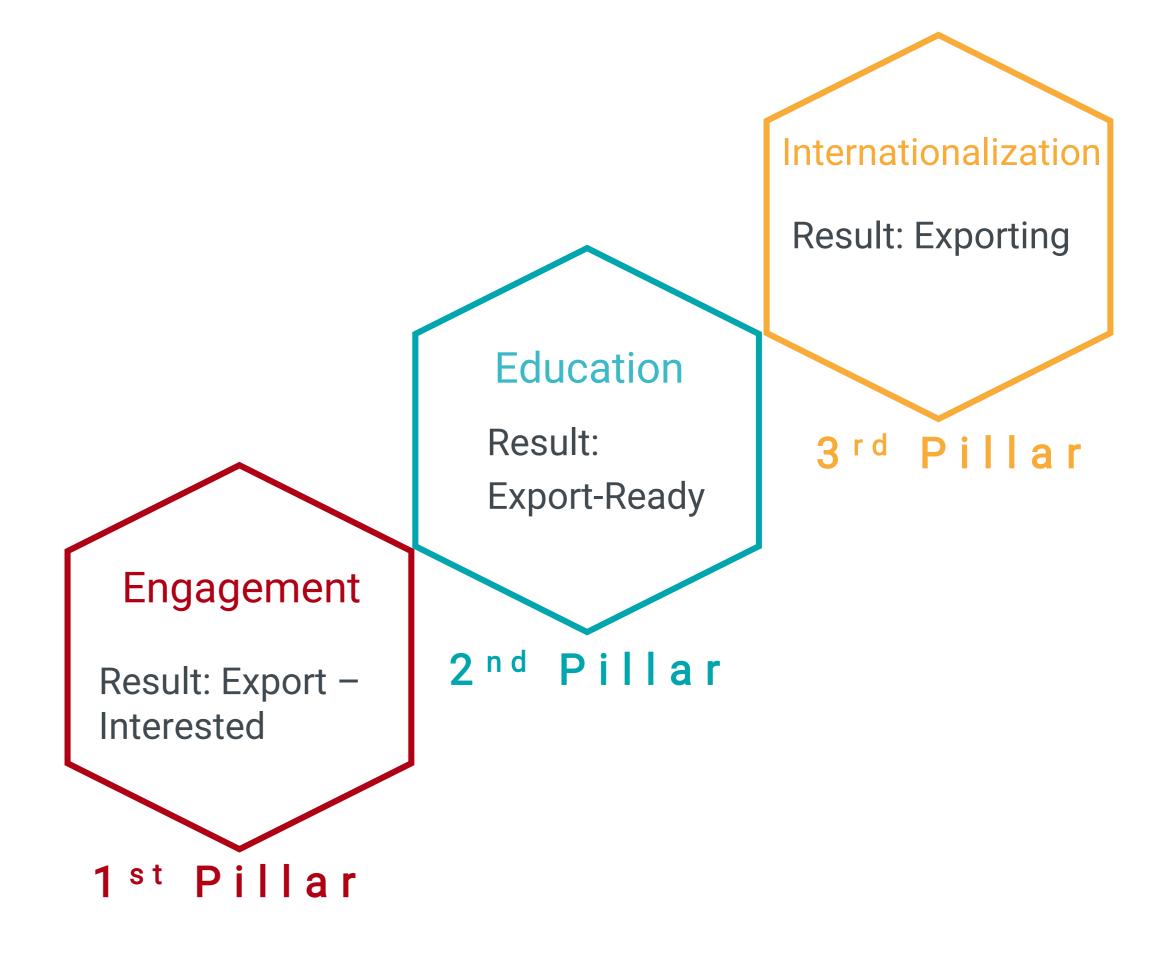


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#### International Trade Action Plan

- Export Readiness Increase the number of export ready companies in the Edmonton Metropolitan Region
- Export Growth Help companies achieve significant increases in export volumes and value in markets that offer the highest growth potential
- Engagement Educate, facilitate, develop, and promote the export ecosystem
- Leadership Serve the Edmonton Metropolitan Region by becoming the leader in trade
- Innovate Find innovative solutions to simplify an overly complex export ecosystem
- Attract Make local ecosystem attractive to international expansion of global logistics and supply chain companies as well as companies in manufacturing.





### How we work



**Deal Flow** 



#### Our partner network

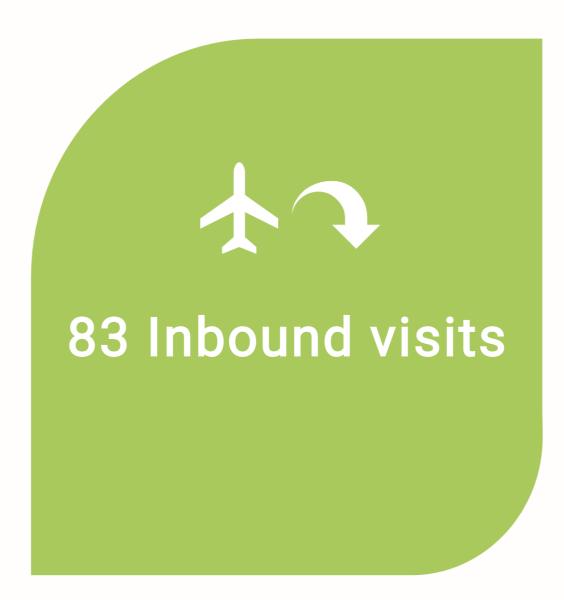
Edmonton Global collaborates with and connects the region's economic development partners, industry, business, governments, communities and institutions - all of which have a role to play in collectively pursuing greater regional prosperity





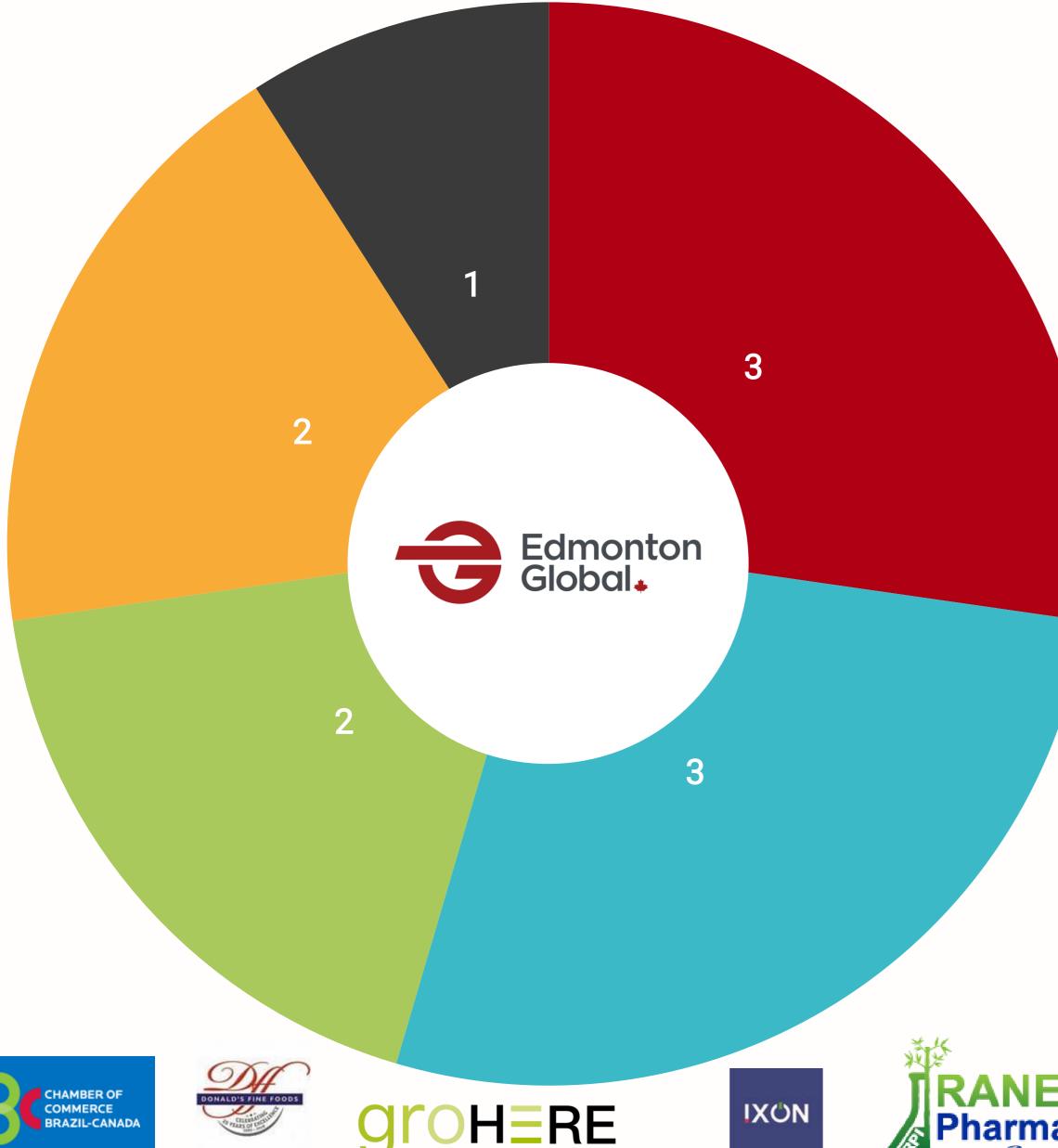
#### 2022 at a glance













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11 Final Investment Decisions \$108+ Million of Investment 194+ Jobs

- Energy (Hydrogen, renewables, storage, etc.)
- Agriculture and Food & Beverage
- Technology (AI, software, hardware, etc.)
- Life Sciences, Healthcare and Biotechnology
- Finance, Information, Technology and Services















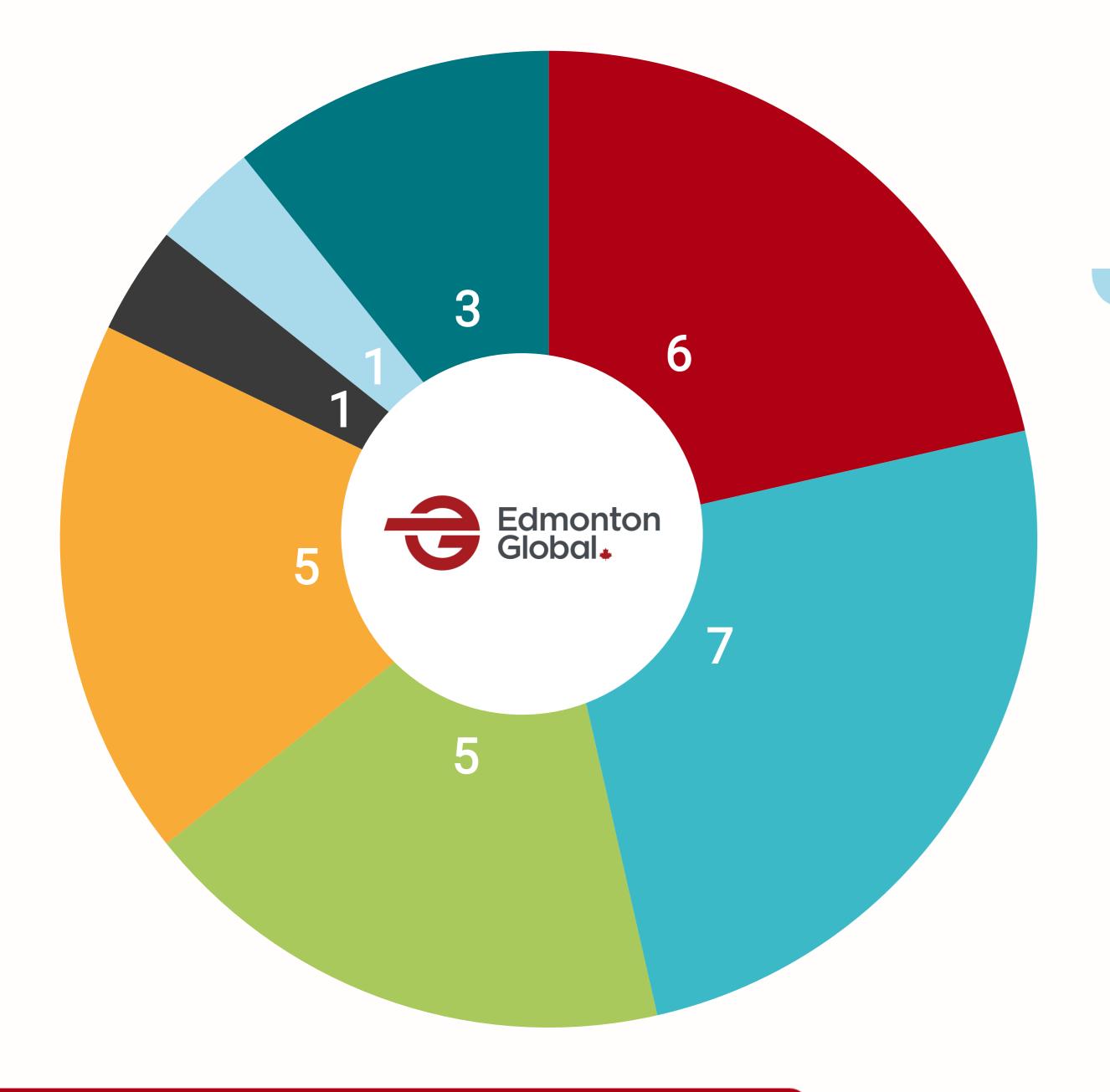






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#### Results 2018-2022

28 final investment decisions \$2.4+ billion of investment 3,498+ jobs

- Energy (Hydrogen, renewables, storage, etc.)
- Agriculture and Food & Beverage
- Technology (AI, software, hardware, etc.)
- Life Sciences, Healthcare and Biotechnology
- Finance, Information, Technology and Services
- Manufacturing
- Other



## Canadian Hydrogen Convention

Canada is playing a critical role in the development of the global hydrogen economy with innovators in production processes and pioneers in fuel cell technology. The inaugural year of this 10-year conference in the Edmonton region was hosted in April 2022.



April 26-28, 2022

4000 attendees

20+ countries

100 exhibitors/speakers/
presenters

Significant announcements and media





### forward/slash Economic Summit

Start the movement of bringing the Edmonton region together to unite behind a powerful vision for its economic future



September 28, 2022

1000 attendees
50 partner organizations
6 sub-committees



## Continuing the Momentum



#### Roundtables

Talent & Labour Force Roundtable - November 2022

Food & Agriculture Roundtable - December 2022

#### EDO Value-Added Agriculture Subcommittee

 The subcommittee had its first meeting in February 2023.

#### How We Work Together

Joint pitch development Opportunity sharing (25 in 2022)

Collaborating on Inbound and Outbound Missions

Shared data portal



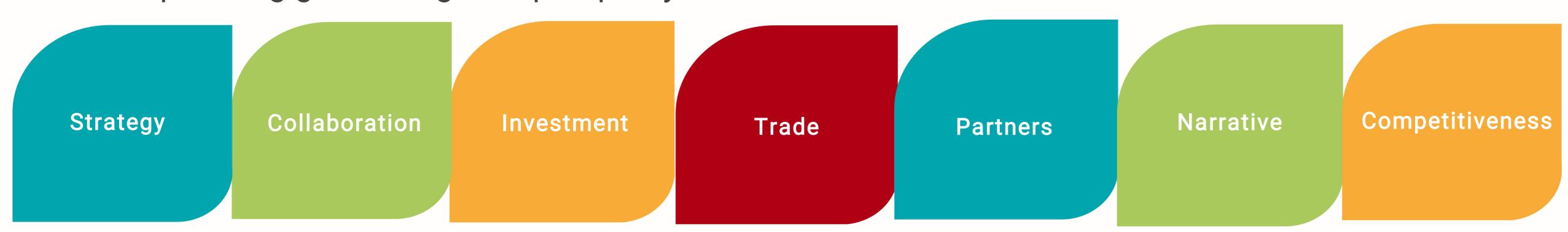


Support regional initiatives



#### Supporting Spruce Grove and the Region

- Develop economic strategy for the region
- Collaborate with municipal economic development teams
- Promoting and bringing international investors to region
- Connect local businesses to trade opportunities
- Building a unified narrative for the region
- Enhancing competitiveness through policy and global benchmarking
- Work with regional economic development partners, business, government, and institutions on pursuing greater regional prosperity



- Edmonton Global's former Engagement Specialist visited Spruce Grove in August 2022 to meet with Economic Development staff and tour the city.
- Edmonton Global participated in an interview conducted by Deloitte in 2022 to support the City of Spruce Grove in creating its Economic Development Strategy.
- Edmonton Global coordinated a site selector visit in September 2022 with five site selectors joining from the United States. Economic and Business Development Director, Dave Walker, met and engaged with site selectors at a session hosted for the regional EDO network.







#### Looking Forward

Expecting some significant investment announcements and increased trade export in 2023

#### 2023 Outbound Missions

Nano - Japan, Jan Arab Health - Dubai, Jan Investopia - Abu Dhabi, Mar Smart Cities Taipei - Taiwan, Mar fCELL Canada - Vancouver, Jun

#### 2023 Inbound Missions

Japan Trade - Jan Asian Tech - Feb Hydrogen Delegations - Apr Gaming Delegations - July Nutraceuticals - Aug More to come...

## 2023 Roundtables and Initiatives

5,000 Vehicle Challenge Venture Capital Network Service Providers Youth Regional Narrative Sector-based Trade

#### 2023 Conferences

Can Hydrogen Conv - Apr Upper Bound - May DeepTech Canada NASCO Reunion - Aug Carbon Capture Canada - Sep Farmfair International - Nov



