



# Kaizen Training Event

Thursday, February 23 – Edmonton, AB

Only **15** spots are available for this workshop and they are reserved for Agri-Business companies only. Maximum two registrants per company.

## Facilitator



**DAVID deJONG** has nearly 20 years of diverse experience in product development and manufacturing. His experience spans many industries, including food

processing, durable and non-durable goods, aviation and aerospace, oilfield equipment, and military service. The variety of his background, and his combination of technical and soft skills, give him the broad perspective needed to fully apply both organizational and engineering solutions to lean manufacturing and other productivity improvement efforts.

Kaizen, the Japanese term for continuous improvement, focuses on making improvements by surfacing hidden problems, finding solutions for them through empowered team work, and streamlining processes to make the process self regulated, efficient and effective. The Kaizen event is an important tool for making large, rapid improvements in an operation, and is a key part of any lean program.

This one-day, hands-on workshop will give participants practice running a successful event. Based in a manufacturing facility, participants will be introduced to the principles of Kaizen, then break into groups to study an actual production process. After reviewing the current state, participants will devise improved methods, and then implement them on the plant floor. This will give everyone first-hand experience using a tool that can be immediately applied in their own operations.

## Who Should Attend?

This workshop is designed for the following individuals working in the agri-processing industry:

- Front line supervisors, managers, and team leaders
- Project leads and continuous improvement facilitators
- High potential leaders with or without direct reports
- People from office or production environments

## Workshop Information

**Date:** Thursday, February 23, 2012

**Time:** 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Location:** Alberta Oil Tool  
6939 68 Avenue Edmonton, AB

**Cost:** Free (lunch and the “*Kaizen Event Fieldbook*” resource is included)

**Registration Deadline:** February 17



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## Registration Form

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*The personal information that you provide on this form will be used to register you for this event and, if you choose, inform you of similar events in the future. It is collected under the authority of Section 33 (c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act of Alberta and is protected by the privacy provisions of FOIP. If you have any questions about the collection and use of this information, contact Avery Murphy, Development Officer, 5201-44St, Box 4685, Bonnyville, AB T9N 0H1, 780-826-8383.*

<b>Name:</b>
<b>Company:</b>
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<b>Address:</b>
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<b>Email Address:</b>
<b>Special Requirements (dietary or access):</b>

- I wish to be informed of similar events in the future.
- I authorize my photo to be taken during the workshop, which might be used in print media publications, advertisements, or online promotion for the Productivity Improvement website [www.agriculture.alberta.ca/productivity](http://www.agriculture.alberta.ca/productivity). I understand that Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development will take care in the choice of images used for promotional purposes.
- I authorize the use of my comments on the Kaizen workshop evaluation form for the Productivity Improvement website.

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For more information, please contact Avery Murphy at 780-826-8383 or Jim Cooper at 780-679-5176. To register for this workshop, please complete this form and either email or fax to Cherril Guennewig by February 17. Fax: 780-427-5220 or Email: [cherril.guennewig@gov.ab.ca](mailto:cherril.guennewig@gov.ab.ca)

