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**OCE is pleased to appoint Donald Wilford as Managing Director of  
OCE's Centre for Photonics.**

Don joined OCE in 2000 as Director of Business Development with Photonics Research Ontario (PRO). Since May of this year, in his role as Interim Managing Director of the Centre for Photonics, Don has effectively demonstrated his strong knowledge of OCE programs and applied his extensive business aptitude to drive this Centre forward.

In the newly established OCE collaborative initiative with the Catalan Centre for Photonics, Don was instrumental in its successful outcome. He recently concluded negotiations for OCE's strategic partnership with the Ontario Genomics Institute, and has positioned the Centre for Photonics to play a key role in the development of a national Photonics Strategy Document with the Canadian Photonics Consortium.

Prior to joining PRO, Don held progressively senior Engineering Management roles with a number of organizations, including the Lubrizol Corporation, Pratt & Whitney Canada and ORTECH.

Don holds an Executive MBA from the University of Toronto, a M.Sc. and Ph.D. from McGill University, and a Bachelor's degree in Physics from the University of Leeds in the UK.

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