

Federal funds support Hub

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Projectors from Christie Digital will power a new 3-D environment at The Communtech Hub.

The work was officially commissioned during an announcement at the former Lang Tannery -- now home to The Hub -- in downtown Kitchener earlier today. Christie's equipment is being installed in part thanks to \$280,000 in funding provided by the Community Adjustment Fund of the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario, through which \$1 billion in funding is being provided across the country over two years to address short-term economic needs of communities impacted by the global recession.

The Hub occupies 30,000 square feet of a renovated downtown Kitchener Tannery building and houses start-up companies, small-medium enterprises, and global multi-nationals with the goal of accelerating the pace of development of new ideas and products in the digital media sector. Christie is a founding partner company and has provided advanced visualization tools and integration expertise to help startup companies explore new concepts and advance their programs.

The strong support from both the federal government and Christie through its generous contribution of expertise and equipment is a formula for success, making this a unique digital media centre for Canada and one of the most advanced in the world," said Iain Klugman, president and CEO of Communtech.

MPs Peter Braid and Harold Albrecht were also in attendance for today's announcement.