

**Six Ottawa clean tech firms named leaders in Canada**

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Ottawa is the Canadian capital of clean technology, members of Ottawa's Clean Energy Cluster said Thursday.

Six local firms were named in Corporate Knights' "Next 10 Emerging Cleantech Leaders of Tomorrow." The national ranking is made in association with the Cleantech Network.

The six – Ensyn Technologies Inc., Group IV Semiconductor Inc., Iogen Corp., Magenn Power Inc., Menova Inc. and Plasco Energy Group Inc. – are all members of the local cluster, said its chair Chris Henderson.

"This is a huge market validation of the strength of Ottawa's clean energy group of companies," he said. "Bottom line: Ottawa is poised to become the clean energy capital for Canada."

The list represents up-and-coming Canadian companies that, through a combination of internal strengths and external drivers, have the best potential for being the clean tech leaders of the future, the local cluster said in a release.

Ottawa native Nichols Parker, an expert on clean tech issues, congratulated the six Ottawa firms.

"Ottawa clean tech and clean energy companies are in the front row in Canada," Mr. Parker said. "It's gratifying to see businesses from my hometown going for it in global clean tech markets."

The 10 were selected by an advisory panel which included president and CEO of SDTC Vicky Sharpe, Investeco Capital Corp. president Andrew Heintzman, chairman of Cleantech Venture Network LLC Nicholas Parker, director of VCI Green Funds Inc. Tom Rand, and *Toronto Star* energy reporter Tyler Hamilton.

Three other Ontario firms – 6N Silicon Inc., Enerworks Inc. and REGEN Energy Inc. – as well as British Columbia-based Triton Logging Inc., rounded out the top 10 list.

The announcement was first made at a press conference during the Cleantech Forum XIV in Toronto last Thursday.