

REGIONAL WINNER - ONTARIO GLOBAL TRADE AWARDS



Omur Sezerman
OZ Optics Limited
Carp, Ontario

As the former chairman of the Canadian Photonics Consortium (CPC), Omur has not only been the voice of the expanding Canadian photonics industry for the past three years, but has carried a torch for the export opportunities presented by the development of photonics. Omur has avidly pursued export markets since he founded OZ Optics in 1985 to design and manufacture fibre optics components. He brought his 20 years of experience to the CPC to aggressively promote the Photonics North trade show and conference held in Ottawa last year, and has been closely involved in collaborative research projects with the Universities of Ottawa and Toronto. Omur was recognized in 2000 as the most successful Turkish businessman abroad by the President of Turkey, and he was selected Ontario's entrepreneur of the year for the manufacturing sector by the Ernst & Young 2001 Entrepreneur Of The Year™ Awards.



Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Economic Development and Trade Richard Patten (right) with Therese Murphy (left), President, CA - Stormont-Dundas-Glengarry District Association for the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario, present the 7th annual Eastern Award for Leadership to Zahide Sezerman (centre), Vice-President & Director, on behalf of Omur Sezerman, President and Chief Executive Officer, OZ Optics Limited of Carp, Ontario. To download a hi-resolution copy of this photo right click here and select "Save target as" to your hard