

# The Innovation Institute: A Response to the Gathering Storm







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### The Core Mission

- IEEE-USA Innovation Institute will:
  - offer programs designed to advance the preparation of leaders responsible for the innovation of new products and services by sharing the experiences of successful innovators in a coordinated program of interaction, teaching, mentoring and networking.







### **Advisory Board**

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### Innovation Institute 2007 – 2009 Strategy

- Innovation Forums: Pilot in November 2007, 3 in 2008, and 6 in 2009
- Long Term, Integrated, Cross-Supporting Services for Members and Profession
- Franchise Program with Region







### **Innovation Forums**

Two day workshops held regionally with sponsorship of IEEE's U.S. sections, chapters or societies. Repeat on annual cycle.

Venues

2007 – Washington, DC – November 6-8 2008 - 3 regional forums 2009 - 6 region forums

Candidate Cities (Boston, Chicago, San Jose, Denver, Raleigh, Pittsburgh, Colorado Springs, Austin, College Station, Minneapolis)







### **Pilot Forum Program**

#### Tuesday, 6 November 2007

Time	Title	Objective	
7:00 pm – 7:30 pm	Welcome and Opening Remarks	<ul> <li>Institute overview</li> <li>Where the Forum fits into framework of the Innovation Institute</li> </ul>	
7:30 pm – 8:00 pm	What You Can Expect	<ul> <li>? Why this is different?</li> <li>? Interactive exercise - Define innovation and expectations of this forum.</li> <li>? Description of what they can expect and why this is different.</li> </ul>	
8:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Networking		
Wednesday, 7 November 2007			
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7:30 am - 9:00 am	Breakfast/Table Topics	? Each table assigned a topic
9:00 am – 9:30 am	Opening Remarks	<ul> <li>Agenda for the day</li> <li>Introduction of faculty</li> </ul>
9:30 am - 12:00 pm **Coffee Break during session	New Concepts of Leadership: Accepting the Challenge to Lead in the 21st Century	<ol> <li>The "process" of innovative leadership to cope with change: change is the catalyst of innovation</li> <li>The commitment "process" that aligns you as an individual to the product and process innovation strategy</li> <li>Strategic and innovative thinking can become a repeatable business practice used by everyone in the organization</li> </ol>
12:00 pm - 1:15 pm	Lunch	
1:15 pm - 3:45 pm **Coffee Break during session	Small vs. Large Company Issues	<ul> <li>The difference between small and large companies' innovation process</li> <li>Impact of innovation within small and large companies on careers, the proceeding and the companies of the companies</li></ul>
		<ul> <li>companies and the country.</li> <li>? Issues and tools associated with "navigating" those processes to obtain the desired results.</li> </ul>
Wednesday, 7 Nov. 1:15 pm - 3:45 pm (Cont'd)		? Input from participants

1:15 pm - 3:45 pm (Cont'd)	Case studies premises	<ul> <li>Small company – technology, opportunity (customer), product, resources, skills, etc.</li> <li>Large company –technology, opportunity (need), product, culture, resources, skills</li> </ul>
	Break out small and large company groups	<ul> <li>Groups divided into management and researchers address the issues related to cost, resources, markets, skills, timing, culture, etc.</li> <li>Input from participants' experiences.</li> </ul>
	Break	<i></i>
	Regroup and review results.	<ul> <li>? Each breakout team reports the results which are critiqued by the group and compared with the actual case results.</li> <li>? Feedback from participants</li> </ul>
3:45 pm - 6:00 pm	The Innovation Process and You	<ul> <li>? Understanding your innovation style</li> <li>? How your style impacts how you approach innovation in your organization</li> <li>? How knowing your styles can help you work better together as a team</li> <li>? How to apply the innovation styles to boost success in different situations.</li> </ul>
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Dinner	The architecture of innovation and the work of the day
Thursday, 8 No	ovember 2007	
Time	Title	Objective
7:30 am - 9:00 am	Breakfast/Table Topics	Each table assigned a topic
9:00 am - 9:15 am	Starting Day 2	Agenda for the day     Introduce Steve Walker
9:15 am -11:00 am **Coffee Break during session	Successful Innovation: Guided Discussion	<ul> <li>? An ideal in practice</li> <li>? Questions from the attendees</li> </ul>
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Innovation Project Management	Key Points about Managing Innovation
	Activity	<ul><li>? Key points attendees identify</li><li>? Next steps</li></ul>
	Summarize and integrate	







### **Pilot Forum Program Comments**

- Fun while learning
- Need more time, we ate an elephant and washed down with fire hose.
- Much thought was put into this. The planning was good. The speakers were energetic.
- The instructional methods were very good
- Love the interaction
- Small groups enough space, very conducive to learning.
- Innovative Format
- Beyond Expectations
- I was inspired more than I thought I would be







### Long Term, Integrated, Cross-Supporting Services for Members and Professionals

- Forums
- Network
- Clearinghouse
- eBooks
- National Conference







### **The Innovation Network**

- An online community with tools for on-going discussion, live chats, and moderated topical forums.
- Registration for an Innovation Forum makes participant a "Member" of the Innovation Network for one year, with renewal option.
- Faculty would use the community to interact with mentees and provide mentorship.







### Innovation Information Clearinghouse

- Repository for information resources
- Video from Forums
- Catalog of reviewed degree programs
- Web resources







### Innovation eBooks

- Case Study Series
- Innovation Series Topics on various aspects of Technical Innovation
  - The Innovation Process by William C. Miller
  - History of Innovation collaboration with IEEE
     History Center
- Beyond Engineering Series (innovations in other industries and areas)







### **National Conference**

• This is still being incubated.







# **Next Steps**

- Assess Pilot
- Produce Three 2008 Forums
- Develop Innovation Network
- Establish Innovation Clearinghouse
- Continue Publishing Innovation eBooks







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