

**MEP Spring Update Meeting
May 17-18, 2016
Charleston Marriott
Agenda**

Day 1		
7:00 – 8:15	Breakfast Session: Legacy Centers	Tab Wilkins, NIST MEP
8:15 – 8:45	Welcome	Carroll Thomas, NIST MEP, Chuck Spangler, SC MEP, & Amy Thomson, SC Dept. of Commerce
8:45 – 9:30	Director's Update and Report Out from September Sessions in Dallas	Carroll Thomas, NIST MEP
9:30 – 10:30	Building Towards Manufacturing Day 2016 Combination of a brief update on national goals and plans and then break out into rooms for small group center discussion on what didn't work last year, what to do more of for this year, unexpected positive outcomes, and how MFG DAY helps your center and community.	Zara Brunner and Mark Schmit, NIST MEP
10:30 – 10:45	Break	
10:45 – 11:30	M-TAC Pilot Learnings and Updates During this working session, small groups will meet to discuss outcomes of the projects, lessons that are transferrable, what worked/what didn't work, and how other centers may scale-up. Breakout Sessions will include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session #1 – Food Processing (OMEP) • Session #2 – Automotive (GA MEP) • Session #3 – Aerospace and Defense (TMAC) • Session #4 – Diverse Supply Chains (WMEP) • Session #5 – Transportation (CMTC) 	Facilitator: Dave Stieren, NIST MEP
11:30 – 12:15	B2B Pilot Learnings and Updates Attendees will rotate through the following topics. At each session we will explore what centers are doing around each of the topics, future agenda topics, possible working groups, what else centers need from NIST MEP, and what measures should be established.	NIST MEP staff (facilitators), CMTC, Georgia MEP, Catalyst Connection, Manex, NC MEP, Idaho TechHelp, OMEP, Mass MEP, NY MEP, Manufacturers Edge
12:15 – 1:45	Lunch	Nick Justice, PowerAmerica (invited)
1:45 – 2:30	Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) – Opportunities and Challenges for NIST MEP	Facilitator: Brian Lagas, NIST MEP Dave Beck, Ohio MEP

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	Panel of 3 Centers discuss what they're doing to develop and deliver services related to FSMA	Steve Hatten, TechHelp Micke O'Donnell, Iowa Center for Industrial Research and Service
2:30 – 3:15	Networking Break (MEP Connect Demo)	Nicole Ausherman, NIST MEP
3:15 – 4:15	Working with Start-ups Break out into 3 groups for facilitated discussions of how best to work with start-ups. Report out to whole group at the end.	Center Partners with NIST MEP staff facilitators
4:15 – 4:45	Wrap-up	Carroll Thomas, NIST MEP
5:00 – 7:00	Networking Reception	Food and Beverage On Your Own
Day 2		
8:00 – 8:30	Welcome Back	Carroll Thomas, NIST MEP Chuck Spangler, SC MEP
8:30 – 9:00	Embedding MEP in NNMI Institutes Pilot Projects Federal Funding Opportunity This session will include an update on the competition to develop stronger relationships with the various NNMI Institutes	Dave Stieren, NIST MEP
9:00 – 9:45	Update on Financial Analysis Management Review Project	Facilitator: Mellissa Ayala, NIST MEP Tom Bugnitz, Manufacturers Edge Mike Coast/Brenda Schmidt, MMTC John Lloyd, MANTEC Jim Watson/Robert Wee, CMTC
9:45 – 10:00	Break	
10:00 – 11:15	Completing the Roll-out of Tech Scouting/TDMI and the Value of Technology Collaboratives Engagement session to explain why and how to integrate TS/TDMI into a center's service portfolio and learning more about using TDMI to build technology collaboratives for the long term.	Facilitators: Dileep Thatte, NIST MEP, Ben Vickery, NIST MEP John Blignaut, Purdue MEP John Kennedy, MassMEP Jack Pfunder, MRC Jim Waton, CMTC
11:15 – 12:00	Utilizing Technology to Improve System Effectiveness and Efficiency	Center Partners with NIST MEP staff

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12:00 – 1:30	Lunch	Craig Blue, Institute for Advanced Composites Manufacturing Innovation
1:30 – 2:15	Performance Management and Metrics	Ken Voytek and Carroll Thomas
2:15 – 2:45	Networking Break	

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2:45 – 3:45	Build out of the National Summit Discussion Session NIST MEP will share where we are with planning and the purpose of the 2017 Summit. We will then break out into rooms to capture feedback from centers on key topic areas and ways centers can provide input on the planning process.	Mary Ann Pacelli & Zara Brunner (facilitators)
3:45 – 4:15	Wrap-up	Dave Cranmer