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October Workshop to Explore Plans For National Network for Manufacturing Innovation

Boulder, Colorado will be the site of the fourth and final public workshop to gather input on the design of the proposed National Network for Manufacturing Innovation (NNMI), on Oct.18,2012, at the Millennium Harvest House Boulder. "Designing for Impact IV: Workshop on Building the NNMI" is organized by the Advanced Manufacturing National Program Office (AMNPO), a federal interagency body hosted by NIST to coordinate federal resources and to promote collaborations addressing key manufacturing technology challenges and opportunities.

The Boulder workshop will be seeking ideas on the technology focus, organization, operation, management, and other topics and activities relating to the proposed network. It will be held one week before the Oct. 25, 2012, deadline for submitting comments in response to a formal "request for information"* issued by the AMNPO and published in the Federal Register on May 4.

Registration will close October 16,2012.Below, find a link to the workshop registration page. http://manufacturing.gov/event_101812.html

Federal Agencies Sponsor Cybersecurity Education Workshop: October 30 - November 1, 2012

NIST is offering a strong finale to National Cybersecurity Awareness month with its the third annual National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education (NICE) Workshop, Oct. 30 through Nov. 1, at its Gaithersburg, Md., campus. NIST coordinates <u>NICE</u>, an interagency initiative focused on enhancing cybersecurity in the United States by raising national awareness about risks in cyberspace; improving cyber behavior, skills and knowledge in general; and cultivating a globally competitive cybersecurity workforce.

The theme of the 2012 workshop is "Shaping the Future of Cybersecurity Education—Connecting the Dots in Cyberspace." The event's agenda focuses on making cyber connections between government, academia, industry and the public to help NICE achieve its goals.

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More information on the workshop agenda and registration is available at the link below. http://csrc.nist.gov/nice/2012workshop/

November Forensics@NIST Symposium

Attendees at the three-day symposium, scheduled for November 28-30, 2012, will learn how NIST's world-class laboratories and staff support many branches of forensic science including DNA analysis, arson investigation, trace evidence analysis, fingerprint impression analysis, biometrics, and computer and cell phone forensics. The event will feature 45 lectures and 40 poster presentations by NIST scientists, engineers and collaborators.

Each day will highlight a specific set of disciplines:

- Nov. 28: forensic biology/DNA, firearms/toolmark analysis and fire research
- Nov. 29: trace analysis/collection
- Nov. 30: computer forensics, fingerprints and biometrics, and multimedia forensics

A link to the symposium web page with agenda and registration information follows. http://www.nist.gov/oles/forensics-2012.cfm

October NIST Tech News Beat Items

The October 2,2012 online issue of Tech Beat provides more detail on the above events. This edition also highlights a news story featuring the results of joint research with one of our stakeholders in the academic community: a collaboration between Columbia University and NIST that resulted in an inexpensive DNA sequencing method.

A link to NIST's Tech Beat follows. http://www.nist.gov/public_affairs/tech-beat/index.cfm

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