

Louisiana Materials and Emerging Technologies Conference

Katrina - Challenges and Opportunities

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hosted by the
**Institute for Micromanufacturing
Louisiana Tech University
Ruston, Louisiana**

Sixth in a Series of Louisiana Annual Conferences

The conference aims at bringing together participants from universities, and industry and government agencies in Louisiana and the nation. It is meant to provide an opportunity for communication and networking among the participants, leading to the development of collaborative efforts and initiatives benefiting Louisiana and the nation. **Due to hurricane Katrina, the conference will emphasize: "Katrina Challenges and Opportunities."**



Invited Speakers:

Dr. Leigh Abts	Johns Hopkins University
Dr. Michael Khonsari	Louisiana Board of Regents
Dr. Kevin Lyons	National Science Foundation
Dr. Charles O'Connor	University of New Orleans
Dr. Blake Simmons	Sandia National Laboratories

How To Register

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All participants must register by no later than December 7, 2005 via the above email address. There is no registration fee, but due to limited seating, participants must confirm attendance by registering.

Hotel information: Reservations should be made directly with the hotel of your choice.

Some Local Ruston hotels include:

Hampton Inn (Exit 85 off I-20) - 318-251-3090

Holiday Inn Express (Exit 86 off I-20) - 318-513-9777

Ramada Inn (Exit 85 off I-20) - 318-255-5901

The Institute for Micromanufacturing (IfM) at Louisiana Tech University in Ruston, LA, may be reached from the Monroe or Shreveport, LA, regional airports, via Interstate 20 (I-20), 35 miles west from Monroe, or 70 miles east from Shreveport. The listed hotels are located close to the given I-20 exits. La Tech University's IfM is located on Tech Drive off I-20 exit 84. Turn south onto Tech Drive. You will pass through three red lights (one at the ball fields, one just past and under the railroad, and one at Barnett Springs Road and the Art Building). Go through the 3rd light and past Hergot Avenue intersection to enter into the parking lot of the IfM (across from the Episcopal Church).

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Conference Advisory Committee:

Kody Varahramyan (IfM, LaTech) – 2005 Conference Chair, Pratul Ajmera (LSU), Karen Briski (UL Monroe), Elia Eschenazi (Xavier), Gary Glass (Louisiana Accelerator Center, UL Lafayette), Josef Hormes (CAMD, LSU), Vijay John (Tulane), Charles O'Connor (AMRI, UNO), Jim Landry (LDED), and Naidu Seetala (GSU).

