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# Village of Skokie

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## For Immediate Release Public Information

### Skokie to Host Smart Manufacturing Summit

On November 4, 2015, a Smart Manufacturing Summit focusing on rapidly changing approaches to product design and production will take place at the Illinois Science + Technology Park in Skokie, Illinois. Manufacturing business representatives and educators, trainers and other manufacturing industry professionals are invited to attend this unique program. The event runs from 2 to 5 p.m., with networking from 5 to 6 p.m. featuring food and refreshments from Downtown Skokie restaurants. Admission is complimentary, but space is limited and advance registration required.

The summit will convene key thought leaders and local business owners from the Chicagoland area to discuss 'smart manufacturing' technologies and share ideas on collaboration to prepare for the next age of industrial design and production. The scheduled keynote speaker is Jacob Goodwin, Director of Membership Engagement and Communication, Digital Manufacturing Design and Innovation Institute.

Specific topics addressed at the summit include:

What does the next phase of industrial change look like, particularly related to 3D printing, CNC machining, virtual prototyping and other technologies?  
Where will industry growth occur, and what knowledge is essential for manufacturers and other industry professionals to stay current and profitable?

The summit is sponsored by the Village of Skokie's Telecommunications and Technology Advisory Commission and Economic Development Commission in cooperation with the Illinois Science + Technology Park. At the conclusion, attendees will have increased knowledge on technology trends that impact product design, customization and production; practical information about software and hardware capabilities and how to source systems that will support new innovations and insights into workforce development and training resources.

Additional scheduled topics and speakers include:

**Trends in Smart Technology** – Dr. Guillermo Ameer, Professor of Biomedical Engineering and Surgery, Northwestern University Material Sciences Division; David Boulay, President, Illinois Manufacturing Excellence Center and Dima Elissa, CEO, VisMed 3D, moderated by Tom Peters, Director of Business Operations, Symbol Training Institute

**3D Printing for Manufacturers** – Bill Stahl, VP Sales and Service, Bastech, Inc.

**Preparing Future Innovators in Product Design and Production** – Dr. Colette Hands, Director of Workforce Development and Corporate Training, Oakton Community College; Robert Sompolski, Dean of Mathematics and Technologies, Oakton Community College and Chris Powell, Director of Applied Sciences and Technology, Niles Township High School District 219

The event will take place at 8045 Lamon Avenue, Skokie, at the Illinois Science + Technology Park. To register or for more information, email [info@skokie.org](mailto:info@skokie.org) or call 847-933-8210.

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