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A New Approach to Regional Prosperity



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In the news >>>

Credit Suisse to manage newly created N.C. Innovation Fund

The primary goal of the Innovation Fund will be to achieve a risk-adjusted rate of return for the Pension Fund's private equity portfolio. The \$230 million Fund will seek to invest in businesses with significant operations based in North Carolina.

Investments will be aimed at building upon the strengths of the North Carolina economy and may target high growth industries that include, but are not limited to; life sciences, technology, and clean energy. The pool of money will be invested over a three to five year period, focusing on a long-term return.

The Regional Manufacturer of the Year Awards 2010

2010 Advanced Manufacturing Awards recognizes and celebrates process excellence in our region that demonstrates best practices utilized during the calendar year of 2009. The awards will be announced at an awards ceremony on June 24th, 2010, at the Embassy Suites Hotel, in Concord, North Carolina. Winners will be promoted across our region as outstanding examples in three areas of excellence:

- Best Process Improvement Project
- Best Innovation Project
- Green Project award

A total of nine awards will be presented, one in each project category to companies in three size ranges:

- Businesses with 1-49 employees
- Businesses with 50-99 employees
- Businesses with 100-499 employees

For more information or to find out how to nominate a company please contact Victoria Rittenhouse at cedc@centralina.org or visit www.MindsThatManufacture.com.

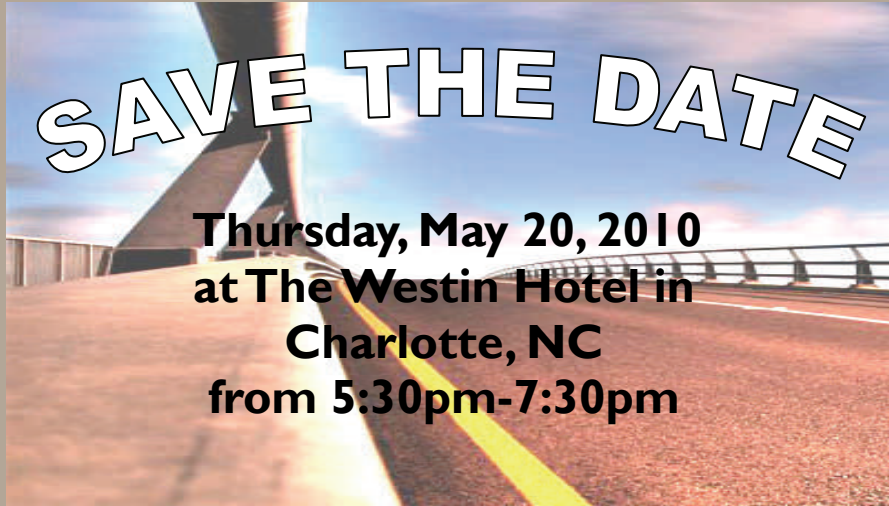
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National Transportation Week 2010
A Celebration of the Logistics and Transportation Industries



Thursday, May 20, 2010
at The Westin Hotel in
Charlotte, NC
from 5:30pm-7:30pm

For more information about registration visit
www.LogisticsAllianceofCarolinas.com



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Centralina Economic Development Commission, housed in the Centralina Council of Governments, is a 501c3 organization serving the greater Charlotte region and supporting the key activities proposed in the Centralina Regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. The strategy outlines an approach to regional growth and prosperity that builds on the region's strengths, emphasizes key regional industry clusters, and prioritizes economic development projects. The Commission is supported by the Board of County Commissioners in nine North Carolina counties (Anson, Cabarrus, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Rowan, Stanly, and Union) and by the Cities of Charlotte, and the Town of Mooresville.

Events

April 20-22: CED's Venture Conference

Location: Pinehurst, NC

www.cednc.org

April 20: NCLM 2010 Regional Legislative Meeting

Location: Newton, NC

www.nclm.org/2010legislativemeetings

April 21: Ethics Training for Elected Officials

Location: Beaufort, NC

www.ncacc.org/ethicstraining_2010.html

April 21: SE High Speed Rail Business Opportunity Workshop

Location: Koury Convention Center, Greensboro, NC

conference@sehsr.biz

May 12: Essentials of ED-Job Creation; UNC-School of Government

Location: Cullowhee, NC

<http://www.sog.unc.edu/courses/0772/?q=/courses/0772>

May 20: The LAC presents: GO National Transportation Week 2010 a Celebration Reception

Location: The Westin Charlotte

www.LogisticsAllianceofCarolinas.com

May 26-28: NC-Community Development Association 2010 Annual Spring Conference

Location: Grove Park Inn, Asheville, NC

<http://nccda.net/events.php>

June 24: Regional Manufacturer of the Year Awards 2010

Location: Concord, NC

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