



CONFERENCE SYNOPSIS

Some of the country's most innovative, technology savvy and inventive individuals will gather at the Council for Entrepreneurial Development's 16th annual Tech Conference at N.C. State on October 11. Entrepreneurial companies, university groups, corporations and research institutes are invited to explore the future of emerging and converging technologies at the conference.

Each year CED invites its members and other entrepreneurial individuals to listen to keynote speakers, participate in interactive groups, and showcase the latest products and technologies from the Southeast and Mid-Atlantic regions. In the Demo Center participants will be able to experience a wide range of revolutionary technologies and products from 27 different companies and institutions.

This year CED is hosting a Un-Conference Kick-Off the day before the Tech Conference on October 10. This new event will let conference participants get together via the Internet and discuss certain topics relating to the technology industry on the wiki. A wiki, similar to an online message board lets users post comments in response to others. This pre-conference event will help generate stimulating conversation between participants before they meet the next day.

Speakers for this year's conference include Colin Angle, co-founder and CEO of iRobot Corporation; David Bonderman, founding partner of Texas Pacific Group and Newbridge Capital; Marc Lautenbach, general manager Americas IBM Corporation; and Jim Steele, president of Salesforce.com.