



SCMA Manufacturing Operations Summit

September 16-17, 2021

Trident Technical College Conference Center | North Charleston, SC

Thursday, September 16

- 7:00 am** **Exhibitor Set-up**
- 7:30 am** **Networking Breakfast and Exhibit Showcase**
- 8:00 am** **Opening Remarks**
Chairman Ron Freed, Manufacturing Manager, Honda of South Carolina Manufacturing, Inc.
- 8:10 am** **The New Normal: Getting Started with AI**
Rick Oppedisano, CEO, Delta Bravo Artificial Intelligence
- 8:45 am** **Make at Home Manufacturing Pilot Project**
Moderator: Elizabeth Colbert-Busch, Economic Development Advisor, Presidents Office, Trident Technical College
Panelists:
Arif Padaria, COO, Rize Incorporated
Laurie Boeding, Dean, Business Technology, Trident Technical College
Dan Thomas, Designed Expert - Rapid Prototyping, Boeing
Bernie Mazyck, President and CEO, SC Association for Community Economic Development
- 9:30 am** **Networking Break and Exhibit Showcase**
- 10:00 am** **Stamping Out Waste and Assembling Results**
Mark Whitten, President & CEO, Spartanburg Steel Products
- 10:50 am** **Ask an Attorney Roundtable**
Michael Eckard, Office Managing Shareholder, Ogletree Deakins
Ashley Kirkham, Shareholder, Collins & Lacy
- 11:20 am** **Keynote Speaker**
Dr. Kai Woerner, Senior Vice President, Robert Bosch, LLC
- 11:45 am** **Lunch**



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- 1:00 pm** **South Carolina Workforce Best Practices Panel**
Moderator: Amanda Richardson, Special Projects Manager, Economic Development, SC Technical College System
Panelists:
Michelle Fowler, Chief Administrative Officer, W International
John Truluck, Director of Economic Development, Dorchester County Economic Development
Cathy Almquist, Vice President for Education, Trident Technical College
- 2:00 pm** **Networking Break and Exhibit Showcase**
- 2:30 pm** **Tour of Trident Technical College Aeronautical Training Center**
- 4:30 pm** **Reception**
Dinner on your own

Friday, September 17

- 7:30 am** **Networking Breakfast and Exhibit Showcase**
- 8:00 am** **Opening Remarks**
Chairman Ron Freed, Manufacturing Manager, Honda of South Carolina Manufacturing, Inc.
- 8:15 am** **Everything You Need to Know – Manufacturing Labor Update**
Terry Dunn, President, Positive Management Leadership
- 9:00 am** **Walking the Cyber Talk**
Paige Needling, CEO, Needling Worldwide
- 9:45 am** **Networking Break and Exhibit Showcase**
- 10:15 am** **Driving Zero Downtime with Predictive Maintenance**
Mo Abuali, Managing Partner, IoTco
- 11:00 am** **COVID-19 Update**
Dr. Brannon Traxler, Director of Public Health,
South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC)

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