



**MEP Advisory Board Meeting  
AGENDA**

**Wednesday, March 7, 2018**

*Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center  
1300 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC 20004*

<b>Wednesday, March 7, 2018</b> <b>MEP Advisory Board with Center Board Participation, a.m.</b> <b>Horizon Room, Ground Floor</b>		
9:00 a.m. – 9:05	<b>Meeting Opening/Logistics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cheryl Gendron, NIST MEP</li> </ul>
9:05 – 9:45	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening Remarks</li> <li>• Welcome from NIST Leadership</li> <li>• Board and Audience Introductions</li> <li>• Director's Update</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jeff Wilcox, Chair, MEP Advisory Board</li> <li>• Phil Singerman, NIST Innovation and Industry Services</li> <li>• Carroll Thomas, NIST MEP</li> </ul>
9:45-10:15	<b>Presentation:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>National and State Economic Challenges and Opportunities, Data Trends</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dan Berglund, SSTI</li> </ul>
10:15-10:30	Break	
10:30 – 11:15	<b>MEP National Network Strategic Plan Update 2017-2022/Future is Now (FIN)</b> <i>Board Feedback &amp; Discussion</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carroll Thomas, NIST MEP</li> <li>• FIN Leadership:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Jim Watson, CMTC</li> <li>○ Mike Coast, MMTC</li> <li>○ Others TBD</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
11:15-12:00	<b>Roundtable Discussions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The MEP National Network Strategic Plan and the Future is Now (FIN) Framework at the Center Level</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jeff Wilcox, Chair, MEP Advisory Board</li> <li>• Dave Cranmer, NIST MEP</li> </ul>
12:00-1:30	Lunch Break	

**Afternoon Programming:**

- MEP Advisory Board Reconvenes
  - 1:30 p.m. – Current Room, Horizon
  - Agenda continues, page 2
- MEP Local Center Boards, Afternoon Learning Session\*
  - 1:30 p.m. – International Gateway Room, Mezzanine Level
  - Separate agenda, contact Wiza Lequin: [adelwiza.lequin@nist.gov](mailto:adelwiza.lequin@nist.gov) for more information

<b>Wednesday, March 7, 2018, continued</b> <b>MEP Advisory Board Meeting</b> <b>Horizon Room, Ground Floor</b>  <i>Alternative Programming*: MEP Local Center Boards, Afternoon Learning Session</i> <i>1:30 p.m. – International Gateway Room, Mezzanine Level</i>		
1:30 – 1:35	<b>Welcome Back/Afternoon Overview</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cheryl L. Gendron, NIST MEP</li> </ul>
1:35 – 1:55	<b>Working Group Update:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Supply Chain Development Working Group</b> <i>Board Feedback &amp; Discussion</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Matt Newman, MEP Advisory Board</li> <li>Dave Stieren, NIST MEP</li> </ul>
1:55 – 2:45	<b>Presentation:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>The U.S. Defense Industrial Base</b> <i>Board Feedback &amp; Discussion</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eric D. Chewning, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense, Manufacturing and Industrial Base Policy</li> </ul>
2:45-3:00	Break	
3:00 – 3:20	<b>Working Group Update:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Performance/Research Development Working Group</b> <i>Board Feedback &amp; Discussion</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leslie Taito, MEP Advisory Board</li> <li>Ken Voytek, NIST MEP</li> </ul>
3:20-4:00	<b>Board Governance &amp; Board Assessment Discussion:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Executive Committee Working Group</b></li> <li><b>Bylaw Discussion – Board Succession and Composition</b></li> <li><b>Board Structures within the MEP Network</b></li> <li><b>BoardSource Review – Assessment Process</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jeff Wilcox, Chair, MEP Advisory Board</li> <li>Dave Cranmer, NIST MEP</li> <li>Lisë Stewart, Eisner Amper</li> </ul>
4:00-4:30	<b>Wrap-up/Public Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jeff Wilcox, Chair, MEP Advisory Board</li> <li>Carroll Thomas, NIST MEP</li> </ul>

**Meeting Open to the Public/Registration Complimentary but Required:**

Anyone wishing to attend the MEP Advisory Board meeting must submit their name, company/organization, email address and phone number to Cheryl Gendron ([Cheryl.Gendron@nist.gov](mailto:Cheryl.Gendron@nist.gov) or 301-975-2785) no later than Friday, March 2, 2018,

5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

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\*Non-FACA related activities