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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



Tony Johnson

Welcome Here we are in a new in a new year for INCOSE C-NO. And, we are in a new administration of leadership for the chapter. Unlike administration changes in government, our goal is to build upon what has been accomplished in the past.

The first two years of the INCOSE C-NO chapter were marked by the chapter formation, membership growth, and significant outreach activities, most notably being the Autumn Conference in 2009. These activities are all part of the goals and objectives that were laid out in the chapter's strategic plan. The activities envisioned for this year will continue to be in line with the chapter's strategic plan and will focus on membership and outreach.

C-NO INCOSE understands how a strong chapter membership is the engine that produces and fuels benefits to both individuals and the chapter as a whole. Benefits include the sharing of intellectual capital, mentorship access, exposure to Systems Engineering tools

and techniques, and professional networking opportunities. Additionally, a strong membership provides the foundation for the chapter to implement and sustain outreach and educational programs and events.

The chapter leadership is taking steps to engage local Cleveland businesses to provide them with an overview of Systems Engineering and the benefits of SE tools and techniques. The objectives are to develop strong relationships, gain access to industry tools and techniques, and to encourage greater participation in the C-NO chapter through memberships and sponsorships.

The chapter will also be engaging local universities to expose students both the benefits of Systems Engineering and membership in the INCOSE C-NO chapter. These activities will also provide chapter members information on varied applications of Systems Engineering and the current Systems Engineering teaching trends.

Chapter programs are also being developed that will bring new, diverse, and cutting-edge Systems Engineering tools and techniques to the membership. These programs will provide members exposure to new SE applications that will broaden understanding and reflect the diversity of the SE field.

We are looking forward to an exciting year for the chapter and one that brings chapter growth, educational opportunities, and benefits that enhance our member's skill sets!



INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM 2010 IN CHICAGO



In 2010, International Council on Systems Engineering (INCOSE) returns to its roots as we celebrate the 20th Anniversary INCOSE International Symposium in the beautiful city of Chicago. The organization, known then as the National Council on Systems Engineering (NCOSE), got together for its first Symposium in October 1991 in Chattanooga, Tennessee, USA. The past 20 years have seen INCOSE develop and grow from a small group of enthusiastic and committed founders to the vibrant professional community that represents the diversity of systems engineering across different languages and cultures. As we reach this significant milestone, INCOSE remains committed to supporting individuals and organizations in understanding, developing and sharing best practices in Systems Engineering across our community.

The 2010 Symposium Project team is working to incorporate this celebration throughout the events, activities and publications. The major event will be the Banquet, which will be held at the historic Navy Pier in downtown Chicago, right on Lake Michigan. This wonderful site will provide a perfect location for the celebration. So come join us as we celebrate where we have been, discuss where we are, and look to the future. Further information can be found at the Symposium website: <http://www.incose.org/symp2010/>.



INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP 2010 SUMMARY

The International Council on Systems Engineering (INCOSE) 2010 International Workshop (IW) was held in Mesa, Arizona. Meetings began on Friday, February 5, 2010. Similar to past years, there was a Model Based Systems Engineering (MBSE) Workshop that ran Friday through Sunday. There was a record attendance of 165 individuals at the MBSE workshop, who heard presentations on demonstration projects and enabling topics, in addition to providing input on the MBSE roadmap and other topics. Friday night saw 152 people emptying 180 bottles of wine (including six from our Chapter) at the Wine Tasting event, which raised \$3800 for the INCOSE Foundation. Working Groups and other meetings began Saturday morning and continued through Tuesday until the Closing Plenary Tuesday afternoon. There were almost 300 attendees from 15 countries at the 2010 IW. Next year's IW is also planned for the Phoenix area.

UPCOMING CHAPTER MEETING PROGRAMS

April 20th – Chuck Girt from Onecommunity to discuss integrating public and private enterprises into a high speed communication network throughout the greater Cleveland area

May – Program for May is still being developed. Details to follow.

June 29th (tentative) – Rescheduled Eric Honour presentation on effectiveness of SE

Anyone interested in joining the program committee and helping to drive the direction of future programs please contact Joel Knapp or John Juhasz.

Did You Know ...

Did you know that all papers presented at the INCOSE Symposiums since 1991 are available in a searchable archive? To find them, go to INCOSE's i-Pub database at <https://www.incose.org/ipub/>. You will need you INCOSE username and password in order to log in.

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