

From Prototype to Production Symposium Agenda

Oct. 8, 2025 • 8 am – 5:30 pm • CONVERGE Innovation Center, 1201 Technology Dr., Aberdeen, MD 21001

	Room 1 (Technical)	Room 2 (Resources)	Room 3 (Enterprise)
8:00	Exhibits, Networking, Breakfast		
8:30	Welcome Remarks		Robert Cassilly, Harford County Executive Ricardo Benn, Maryland Deputy Secretary of Commerce
9:00	Bridging the Gap: AM Innovation Across Research, Defense, and Aerospace Production MODERATOR.....Greg Paulsen, Xometry PANEL.....SJ Jones, Northrop Grumman PANEL.....Michael Pecota, CTR, U.S. Navy Sea Systems Command PANEL.....Dr. Suresh Babu, University of Maryland PANEL.....Eric Wetzel, U.S. Army Research Laboratory (invited)	The Future of the Advanced Manufacturing Workforce: Upskilling and Reskilling for the Digital Factory MODERATOR.....Kim Justus, Susquehanna Workforce Network PANEL.....Bruce Warner, Navy Talent Pipeline Program PANEL.....Dr. Heather Handler, Cecil County Public Schools PANEL.....Sarah Sheppard, Maryland Department of Commerce PANEL.....Brittany Hansen, Maryland Department of Labor	Ramping Up the Defense Industrial Base: What Is Our Readiness Level? MODERATOR.....Amy Duray, Maryland Department of Commerce PANEL.....Dr. Brad Baker, Energetics Technology Center PANEL.....Mick Maher, Maher & Associates PANEL.....Tracy Batman, Veritech
10:30	Exhibits and Networking		
10:45	Hybrid Metal Manufacturing MODERATOR.....Charlie Steinert, U.S. Army Chemical Biological Center PANEL.....Joshua Taggart-Scarff, U.S. Army Research Laboratory PANEL.....Brian Kristaponis, Phillips Corporation PANEL.....Kourtney Porsch, Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Lab	Politics, Tariffs, and Turbulence: Building Resilient Supply Chains MODERATOR.....Ben McGlaughlin, Maryland Department of Commerce PANEL.....Tom Regnante, JP Morgan Chase PANEL.....Alex Giambone, Northrup Grumman Missions Systems	Cybersecurity Best Practices in Manufacturing MODERATOR.....Brandon Cannaday, Maryland Department of Commerce PANEL.....Chad Schneider, Root3Labs PANEL.....Mike Kelleher, Maryland Manufacturing Extension Partnership PANEL.....Ron Hill, Hill Tech PANEL.....Tarit Mitra, Xometry
12:15	Lunch		
1:00	Tooling for Casting, Molding, and Thermoforming Using Additive Manufacturing MODERATOR.....Rick Moore, U.S. Army Chemical Biological Center PANEL.....Luke Chow, Prime Manufacturing PANEL.....Rob Elliott, DWE Plastics PANEL.....Dr. Suresh Babu, University of Maryland PANEL.....Dr. Anne Walker, U.S. Army Chemical Biological Center PANEL.....Michael Raphael, Direct Dimensions Inc.	Grants, Funding, and Tax Incentives for Manufacturers MODERATOR.....Ernie Paszkiewicz, TCB Advisory PANEL.....Ben McGlaughlin, Maryland Department of Commerce PANEL.....Mike Ginski, SALT Practice, Citrin Cooperman PANEL.....Jeff Peisach, First National Bank	Digital Transformation in Manufacturing MODERATOR.....Mike Kelleher, Maryland Manufacturing Extension Partnership PANEL.....Greg Paulsen, Xometry PANEL.....Daniel Scott Mitchell, Takton
2:30	Break, Exhibits, Refreshments		
2:45		From Text to Spaceship: Advancements in Computational Product Design MODERATOR.....Greg Paulsen, Xometry PANEL.....Ryan McClelland, NASA PANEL.....SJ Jones, Northrop Grumman PANEL.....Dr. Suresh Babu, University of Maryland	Quality Management System (QMS) for Manufacturing MODERATOR.....Ryan Miller, Edwards Performance Solutions PANEL.....Adam Marsh, Ledge, Inc. PANEL.....Bob Jacobs, Chesapeake CNC PANEL.....Steve Beels, Performance Review Institute (PRI)
4:15–5:30	Networking Happy Hour Sponsored by RAMP MD All American Steakhouse, 3720 Churchville Rd. Aberdeen, MD		

