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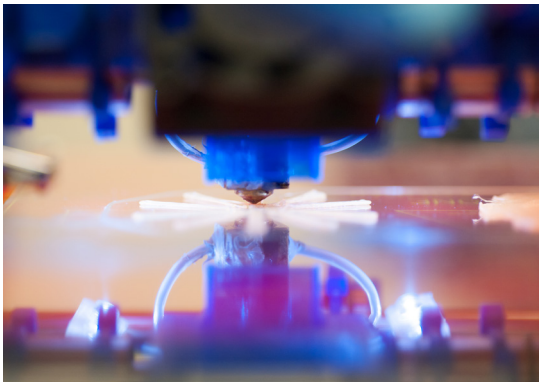
The Regional Advanced Manufacturing Partnership of Maryland (RAMP MD) was formed by the Maryland General Assembly in 2014 to expand the state's capabilities in additive and advanced manufacturing. RAMP MD is a consortium of private businesses, educational institutions, and governmental agencies, working together to:

- Provide businesses access to additive manufacturing facilities, equipment, and expertise
- Build required infrastructure to support the manufacturing base
- Educate a supporting workforce

Additive and advanced manufacturing represents a dramatic shift in how products are designed, manufactured, and ultimately distributed. Because the industry is in its infancy, the equipment and expertise are still beyond the reach of most businesses. RAMP MD solves this problem for Maryland companies. Through RAMP MD, companies partner with the U.S. Army Chemical Biological Center, which has some of the most advanced manufacturing capabilities in the nation and has been using digital manufacturing technology for over 40 years, and Army Research Lab, a world leader in materials science. The collaboration permits manufacturers to move from inspiration to production with access to Army facilities and expertise.

RAMP MD currently holds partnership agreements with over 25 industry partners and is in the process of negotiating more. RAMP MD is also working with Maryland educational institutions to develop pathways into high-tech, high-pay additive manufacturing careers.



Regional leaders recognize the tremendous economic impact a thriving advanced manufacturing sector can have on our communities. Not only does the capability create new high-tech jobs for people of all skill levels, it has the potential to change the way we live, work, and play.

RAMP MD offers frequent webinars on current topics in advanced manufacturing, an annual symposium focused on a technical topic of interest, and collaborates with educational institutions to develop new pathways to manufacturing careers.

More information can be found at https://rampmd.org.

For more information about partnering with RAMP MD, contact RAMP MD Executive Director Mark Schlein at 410-812-1464 or info@rampmd.org.

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