



## **University Center to Host Networking Event in Conjunction with APG's Applied Research Lab's Open Campus Initiative Open House with Partners Northeastern Maryland-University Research Park, Northeastern Maryland Technology Council and Susquehanna Workforce Network**

*UC's Networking Event Allows Small Businesses and Innovative Thinkers in Northeastern Maryland to Connect*

**Aberdeen, MD (Nov. 3, 2015)** – Small businesses, entrepreneurs and innovative thinkers will descend today on Aberdeen Proving Grounds (APG) to attend APG's Applied Research Lab's Open Campus Initiative Open House. The ARL Open House will help those in attendance explore fundamental research collaboration opportunities with ARL scientists and engineers to help solve some of the nation's most pressing research issues in defense and security in these strategic research areas.

Additionally, University Center will hold a Networking event for all Open House attendees from 5 – 7 p.m. on University Center's campus at 1201 Technology Dr. in Aberdeen, MD. Attendees must register at <http://www.arl.army.mil/opencampus/> to reserve a space at the networking event.

This networking event is on the heels of the latest signing of leaders from ARL, University Center, Northeastern Maryland University Research Park, Northeastern Maryland Technology Council and Susquehanna Workforce Network to initiate a new agreement to forge a global collaborative network. The new partnership will usher in a cooperative alliance between the organizations, enhancing access between government laboratories, academic institutions, small businesses, and industry.

"It's our pleasure to host this exciting networking event at University Center," said Nancy Spence, executive director at University Center. "Businesses and innovators from all over will have the opportunity to meet with each other and learn more about the value of the alliance's collaborative partnership with ARL."

### **About University Center**

*University Center (UC) is a convenient, multipurpose, and tech-friendly facility used for business training and higher education located in the technology and economic growth center of Northeastern Maryland. UC partners with top universities and colleges including: Notre Dame of MD University, Johns Hopkins University, Morgan State University, University of MD College Park, UMBC, University of Delaware, and Towson University. UC offers three bachelor degrees, one post bachelor certification, multiple engineering classes, nine master's degrees and one Ed.D program. Its tech-friendly facility is a valued*



resource to many businesses and government agencies needing to conduct training and hold small conferences in Northeastern Maryland. University Center is managed by Harford Community College and is housed in a County-owned building on State of Maryland property. For more information visit: [ucmaryland.com](http://ucmaryland.com).

### **About NEMD URP**

The NEMD URP's mission is to create a multidisciplinary environment that strengthens national defense priorities through advanced degree opportunities, research and high technology transfer collaboration, critical-skill, top tier, knowledge worker education, specialty certifications and business/technology incubation and Small Business Innovative Research. For more information visit: <http://www.nemd-urp.org>.

### **About Northeastern Maryland Technology Council (NMTC)**

NMTC connects the most successful technology companies in the world, hundreds of energetic growing enterprises, government and academic leaders into a collective force to accelerate economic growth and expand the STEM Educated Workforce in Maryland. Created in 1990, NMTC is Maryland's fast growing technology council with over 200 members and advocates providing access to technology, industry, academic and government leaders in Northeastern Maryland, the Greater Baltimore area and beyond. NMTC connects member companies, organizations and individuals to their peers and influential decision makers through power networking, informative workshops, monthly member's speaker meetings and other collaborative initiatives. For more information: <https://nmtc.org>.

### **About The Susquehanna Workforce Network, Inc. (SWN)**

The Susquehanna Workforce Network, Inc., is a non-profit organization that executes workforce strategies that contributes to the economic competitiveness of the region. SWN is led by the regions Workforce Investment Board, which oversees, coordinates and plans workforce services in Cecil and Harford Counties. The Network co-operates three Susquehanna Workforce Center's in the region, collaboratively provides workforce attraction, retention and development services to the business community and facilitates the delivery of specialized workforce services to youth. For more information: <http://www.swnetwork.org>.

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