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Intelligent Manufacturing in Europe Coffee Chat Series

The U.S. Commercial Service's Global Advanced Manufacturing Team and Europe Team invite American exporters to join us for "virtual coffee chats" with our U.S. Embassy colleagues across Europe. These informal video discussions are through Microsoft Teams. Each session will cover the current status of the advanced manufacturing sector in the region and include a brief regional overview.

Register Here - August 27 - Sweden / Denmark / UK
Register Here - September 17 - Russia / Ukraine / Georgia

Why a Food Safety Culture Is Good Business for Food Manufacturers

When looked at holistically, food manufacturers are discovering that implementing the culture of food safety makes good business sense.

Food safety compliance relates to the bottom line in ways similar to operational safety, lean practices and even wellness initiatives. Companies with a food safety culture are more likely to have long-term compliance, understand their role in carrying out preventive controls and have buy-in among staff and managers.

Read Food Safety Culture Blog

Manufacturing Day is Approaching

One of the best ways to tell your organization's story, shift misperceptions about manufacturing and engage with the future workforce: hosting an MFG Day event!

The MFG Day 2020 fast is approaching! Take advantage of the resources the National Association of Manufacturers and the Manufacturing Institute provide to help plan and publicize your in-person or virtual event.

What do you have planned? Make sure to register your event!

Click here for Manufacturing Day website

No-Cost On-Site Manufacturing Assessment

Companies are challenged with continuously reducing cost, increasing flexibility, and decreasing lead times while still providing their customers with high-quality products. In an effort to help North Dakota's manufacturers, Impact Dakota is expanding its on-site, no-cost assessment of your manufacturing business to identify and discuss opportunities that can help with improved productivity of your resources. The approach to this assessment is based on principles of LEAN manufacturing which focuses on reduction of wastes helping companies achieve higher levels of productivity in their production and operations. As part of this assessment, in a very friendly but purposeful way, the Impact Dakota staff walk the shop floor to observe, evaluate, and discuss your production and supporting operations. Following the on-site visit a brief summary report reflecting observations and outline of recommendations will be provided.

How Healthy Is Your Organization?

Did you know?

You can order printed copies of OSHA COVID-19 posters and guidance booklets for your workplace. All items are free and available in multiple languages. Visit OSHA's publications page to place an order.

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Mark Your Calendar

» UPCOMING EVENTS

Please click here to register or for more information on the following events.

Manufacturing Day
October 2

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