



“Training and Certifying the Workforce of the Future”

JANUARY 14, 2009

Room 404 B-C

**Pro Mat 2009 Show and Exhibition
McCormick Place South, Chicago, Illinois**

8:00 am **Registration.** Morning Coffee and Beverages
Networking Opportunity.

8:30 am **Welcome**

Mr. George Prest, Board President
Material Handling Education Foundation

8:45 am ***Company Perspectives on Workforce Needs and Certification***

Moderator: Steven Boecking, VP, Hillwood Alliance Global Logistics Hub

Panelists: Rob Hoffman, Director of Business Development,
Chicago Workforce Board
Michael Johl, Industry Chair, Transportation,
Distribution and Logistics Task Force, Illinois
Workforce Board
Mark V. DeFabis, President and CEO, Integrated
Distribution Services (IDS)
Mark Antonini, Regional Director Customer Solutions,
UPS Customer Solutions
Ron Bullock, Chairman, Illinois Manufacturing
Association

9:45 am **Coffee Break**

10:00 am ***Association Perspectives on How Education Should Support Workforce Skills Training and Certification***

Moderator: John Nofsinger, CEO, Material Handling Industry
of America (MHIA)



Panelists:



Abe Eshkenazi, CEO, American Productivity and Inventory Control Society (APICS)
Paul Novak, CEO, Institute for Supply Management (ISM)
Rick Blasgen, President and CEO, Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals (CSCMP)
Michael Mikitka, Acting Executive Director, Warehousing Education and Research Council (WERC)
Liz Richards, Executive Vice President Material Handling Equipment Distributors Association (MHEDA)
Mike Romano, Chair of the MHEDA Industry Advocacy Committee and CEO, Associated Material Handling Industries

11:00 am *Open Discussion: Education Response to Industry Workforce Education and Certification Needs*

Moderator:



Allan Howie, Director of Continuing Education and Professional Development, MHIA

Panelists:

Dr. Clyde Hornberger, Executive Director, Lehigh Career and Technical Institute, PA
Ruben Johnson, Dean of Business, Cedar Valley College, Dallas County Community College System
Elaine Puri, Banner Center for Logistics and Distribution, Lake City and Polk Community Colleges, Florida
Don Gillman, Director, Don Frazier Center for Material Handling Technical Training, Applied Technology Center, Rock Hill SC

12:00 pm *Announcement of New Certification System for Front-line Workers in Supply Chain Logistics: Certified Logistics Associate (CLA) and Certified Logistics Technician (CLT)*



Leo Reddy, CEO, Manufacturing Skill Standards Council (MSSC)

12:30 pm Lunch Break

1:30 pm *Open Discussion: Strategies for Establishing Training and Certification Programs In Local Schools and Companies*

3:00 pm Conclusion

To register please use the following link <http://promatshow.com/attendees/register.aspx>