ESD NEWS

ESD brought together alumni, students and faculty on Friday, Sept. 16, for a celebration of ESD’s “first 100 doctors.” The first-ever ESD PhD Alumni Symposium, organized by a committee of current ESD PhD students, featured panels of alumni offering their perspectives on their diverse experiences in academia, industry or government—and the role that their education at ESD has played in the development of their careers. Read MIT News article (with photos) here. Videos of the day’s events will soon be made available on TechTV.

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Richard Larson gave a public lecture to more than 300 students and staff of Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM). Blended Learning Open Source Science or Math (BLOSSOMS), led by Larson, is developing a BLOSSOMS center at UTM. Read more here.

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Professor of Technology and Policy Nicholas Ashford gave an invited talk on “Encouraging Innovation and the Deployment of Environmental Technologies: a Renewed Role for Government” at the Annual Public Forum of the World Trade Organization in Geneva on September 20th.

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Members of the LAI-CI team working on the Post-Traumatic Stress Innovations: US Military Enterprise Analysis project briefed Gen. Chiarelli, Vice Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army, and Gen. Dunford, Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, at the Pentagon this week.

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The September 2011 MIT Portugal newsletter is now available online.

**IN THE MEDIA**

New model developed by John Williams and colleagues aims to help IT managers evaluate upgrades and reconfigurations without risking the stability of their networks

“Escaping legacy IT systems”
MIT News – September 20, 2011

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MIT forum examines the role of manufacturing in rebuilding the economy
Forum co-sponsored by Production in the Innovation Economy (PIE); Professor Olivier de Weck serves as executive director for the MIT PIE study
“American made?”
MIT News – September 16, 2011

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MIT AgeLab works with Toyota on new safety research
“Toyota’s Electric Motor Sound Gets Spacey and its Safety Initiative is an Open Book”
MotorTrend Magazine – September 19, 2011

“Toyota takes on the myth of the above-average driver”
CNN Money – September 22, 2011

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John Hansman quoted in coverage of Nevada air show crash
Spectators’ Deaths Highlight Risks of Popular Aerial Racing

10th person dies from Reno air race crash – September 18, 2011
USA Today – September 19, 2011

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Thomas Kochan quoted in article on the U.S. workforce
“For U.S. workers, the lost decade of opportunity”
The Globe and Mail – September 17, 2011

EVENTS

Monday, September 26, 2011
SDM Systems Thinking Webinar Series: Delivering a Distributed SaaS Supply Chain Solution in a Regulated Healthcare Environment: Challenges and Realities
(Part Two of a Two-Part Series)
Time: 12pm – 1pm
Jean-Claude Saghbini, SDM ’03 CTO, WaveMark Inc.

Tuesday, September 27, 2011
MIT CTL Global Leadership Lecture Series: The Future of Logistics and Trade
Time: 3:45-5pm
Location: Wong Auditorium, Tang Center (E51)
UPS Chairman and CEO Scott Davis speaks with Professor Yossi Sheffi in a candid and wide-ranging conversation about logistics, global commerce, and other timely issues. As a member of the President’s Export Council, Davis is one of the nation’s leading advocates for free and open global trade. He will talk about the rise of emerging economies and the weak U.S. economic recovery.

Wednesday, September 28, 2011
LAI Research Seminar
Lean Culture at IBM
Time: 4:15pm – 5:30pm
Location: E38-615