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ESD NEWS

Dava Newman recently gave a keynote talk on spacesuit design at the THINK2012 conference in India. Details available here. Also, Professor Newman talks about the spacesuit of the future in the cover article of the latest issue of Popular Science (“The Deep-Space Suit” – Popular Science – online on October 8, 2012 and in November 2012 print issue).

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SSRC Director Prof. Deborah Nightingale delivered the keynote at the 2012 Lean Summit, a recent Canadian lean conference. Lean experts convened in late October in Ottawa for a two-day summit to share and discuss how they have successfully implemented lean practices in both Canadian and American government agencies. The 2012 Lean Summit was designed to support public sector organizations that are under tremendous pressure to cut budgets, increase capacity and continue delivering effective services to the public.

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Reminder: The ESD PhD Alumni Open House and ESD PhD Open House for prospective students will be next Friday, November 16th, in tandem with the ESD PhD poster session (which begins at 4pm in E14-674). (Also included in the Events section).

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The 2013 MIT LINC Conference will take place at MIT on June 16-19, 2013. The theme of this conference will be “Realizing the Dream: Education Becoming Available for All—Will the World Take Advantage?” The call for papers opened on November 5, 2012, and the paper submission deadline is March 1, 2013. Visit the MIT LINC 2013 Conference website for frequent updates.

ESD IN THE MEDIA

Op-ed by Richard Larson and Alexander Belenky on the current electoral process and some alternatives

“How to fix the Electoral College: Aspects of the Electoral College and the popular vote can be combined to bring more people into the process”
The Baltimore Sun – November 6, 2012

Also, Richard Larson quoted in coverage about waiting in line to vote on Election Day

“Election Day: Is waiting the hardest part?”
Marketplace (American Public Media) – November 6, 2012

“At Mass. polls, long lines and ballots”
The Boston Globe – November 7, 2012
Coverage of new USAID program that includes participation of SSRC and CTL
“MIT a linchpin of major new USAID program”
MIT News – November 8, 2012

Article highlights MLK Visiting Professors and Scholars, including MLK Visiting Assistant Professor Robert Hampshire in ESD
“MIT welcomes six new MLK visiting professors and scholars”
MIT News – November 6, 2012

Yossi Sheffi quoted in article about how businesses can be resilient in the midst of a disaster, such as Hurricane Sandy
“Making it through the storm”
The Economist – November 9, 2012

John Hansman quoted in article about the Boeing 787 Dreamliner
“Dreamliner: future of flight”
Houston Chronicle – November 7, 2012

Money Magazine article on Joseph Coughlin, naming him a “Game Changer” (now available online)
“Planning for a very long retirement”
Money Magazine – November 6, 2012

EVENTS

Tuesday, November 13, 2012
ESD Faculty Lunch
Yossi Sheffi will give an update on the SCALE/CTL Network
Time: 12-1pm
Location: E40-298

FYI - Wednesday, November 14, 2012
Third Annual Transportation Showcase
(Organized by the MIT Transportation Club)
Time: 6-9:30pm
Location: MIT Museum
Deadline for submission of posters: Friday, November 9

Wednesday, November 14, 2012
Time: 1-2pm
MIT Center for Transportation & Logistics presents the first webinar in the Advances in Supply
Chain Management series, **Rethinking Supply Chain Strategy in Complex Markets**. Dr. Roberto Perez-Franco, director of the SC2020 project, will explain the framework’s structured, actionable methodology. This event is a great opportunity to gain early access to new research on SCS that is due to be published next year. Register [here](#).

**Thursday, November 15, 2012**

MIT’s Center for Biomedical Innovation’s 5th Annual Biomanufacturing (BioMAN) Summit

Location: MIT Faculty Club (E52-6th Floor)

Title: The Impact of Biosimilars and Biobetters on Biopharmaceutical Manufacturing

This is a day-long symposium and open to the MIT Community; Registration is required.

**Friday, November 16, 2012**

PhD Program Open House & Poster Session

Time: 9am–6pm (various locations)

Learn about the ESD PhD program at this day-long event, culminating in the ESD PhD Poster Session. Tentative agenda available [here](#).

The ESD PhD Alumni Open House will also be on this day, from noon-6pm. Details [here](#).