ESD News


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Professor Nancy Leveson recently delivered the keynote address at the 17th International Symposium on Aviation Psychology at Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio. She spoke on “Applying Systems Thinking to Aviation Psychology.”

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Jarrod Goentzel was elected president of the POMS College of Humanitarian Operations and Crisis Management at the recent Production and Operations Management Society (POMS) conference in Denver.

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AgeLab News:

Joe Coughlin, AgeLab Director, participated in the 2013 Milken Institute Global Conference in Los Angeles, moderating the panel “Investing in Our Future Best Cities for Healthy Aging.” The conference brought together 4,000 business and investment leaders from around the world.

AgeLab convened its Spring Member Meeting: ”Older & Online: Understanding the Digital Life of the 45+.” Corporate participants included Google, IBM, Transamerica, The Hartford, AAA, AARP, Toyota, Procter & Gamble, Coca-Cola, Benchmark Senior Living, SunTrust, Grand Circle Travel, and others.

Joe Coughlin presented “Anticipating the New Health & Well-Being Demands of an Aging Consumer” at MIT’s 5th Annual Medical Electronic Device Realization Center Workshop, a program in collaboration with the Institute for Medical & Engineering Science, Laboratory for Manufacturing Productivity, Microsystems Technology Laboratories, and Research Laboratory of Electronics.

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The May 6th SDM Systems Thinking Webinar, presented by ESD PhD and SDM alumnus Dan Sturtevant and available here, marked the 50th webinar in the series. Read more here.

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Jonathan Pratt recently joined SDM as director of career development and recruiting. Pratt spent almost five years in the MIT Supply Chain Management (SCM) program as a program manager for career development, recruiting, and alumni relations. Read more on the SDM website.

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Read the latest LGO Alumni Newsletter here.

IN THE MEDIA

Article about energy challenges and incoming U.S. energy secretary Ernest Moniz
“The importance of being Ernest”
Nature Physics (nature.com) – May 3, 2013

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Ed Crawley talks about Skolkovo Institute Science and Technology
“MIT Helps Russia Create New Innovation Hub” (video)
Bloomberg Businessweek – April 30, 2013

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Bryan Reimer quoted in article about semiautonomous cars
“Semiautonomous Cadillacs Hit the Road for Testing”

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Missy Cummings quoted in article about military drones
“Living in Terror under a Drone-Filled Sky in Yemen”
The Atlantic – April 29, 2013

EVENTS

Monday, May 13, 2013
“The Future of Science & Technology in International Development”
Speaker: Dr. Alex Dehgan, Science and Technology Adviser to the Administrator and Director at the United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
Time: 5:30–8:00pm
Location: 34-101
Dr. Dehgan will discuss the potential for science and technology to address many of international development's greatest challenges, and how United States Agency for International Development's (USAID) new Higher Education Solution Network (HESN) and MIT have the opportunity to be at the forefront of that movement. Talk to be followed by a faculty panel discussion featuring Amos Winters, Amy Smith, Bish Sanyal, Olivier de Weck, Richard Larson, and others TBA. (The event is sponsored by the Comprehensive Initiative on Technology Evaluation (CITE) and the International Development Innovators Network (IDIN). CITE and IDIN are the MIT initiatives of USAID’s Higher Education Solutions Network. The MIT Humanitarian Response Lab and the Center for Transportation & Logistics are part of the core CITE team.)
Tuesday, May 14, 2013
ESD Faculty Lunch
Spring semester visit by Dean Ian Waitz
Time: 12-1:30pm
Location: E40-298

Wednesday, May 15, 2013
ESS Doctoral Seminar Series
Claudia Octaviano: Incorporating critical engineering components in macroeconomic models for long-term planning of power systems with large-scale penetration of renewable energy
Time: 12-1pm
Location: E40-298

Wednesday, May 15, 2013
SSRC Distinguished Lecture Series
“Guiding Our Veterans Home: Our National Challenge”
Speaker: Dr. Loree Sutton – Co-Director, Threshold GlobalWorks; Former Brigadier General, U.S. Army
Time: 4:30–5:30pm (Reception 5:30–6:00pm)
Location: 34-101
Brig. Gen. (ret.) Dr. Loree Sutton will discuss her work with Homeward Bound USA, an innovative, comprehensive program that fosters the development of resiliency-informed communities. Homeward Bound is building a new and much-needed healing culture that expands local capacity by investing in community-based peers and sustainable programs grounded in neuroscience research.

Monday, May 20, 2013
SDM Systems Thinking Webinar Series
Software Systems Architecture in the World of Cloud Computing
Christine Miyachi - Principal systems engineer and architect, Xerox Corporation, and SDM alumna
Time: 12-1pm

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