



New Solutions for a Changing Workforce—International Approaches and Best Practices

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Keynoters:

Marc Tucker, President and Chief Executive Officer of the National Center on Education And The Economy, one of the leaders of the standards movement in education. He created the first Commission on the Skills of the American Workforce in 1989 and co-authored its report, *America's Choice: high skills or low wages!* In 2005, he created the *New* Commission on the Skills of the American Workforce to analyze the changes in the global economy since the first Commission's report. He authored the report, *Tough Choices or Tough Times*. He has also co-authored *Thinking for a Living: Education and the Wealth of Nations* and *Standards for Our Schools: How To Set Them*. He will provide the framework for the conference with his observations on "New Solutions for a Changing Workforce".

Hanne Shapiro, Hanne Shapiro, Head of the Centre for Policy Analysis, Technological Institute in Denmark, has over 20 years experience with comparative analysis, evaluation, and policy development in vocational education and training, workforce development and lifelong learning . She was advisor to the Danish Globalization Council on vocational education training and labor market programs and has conducted a number of studies on innovative methods to anticipate needed skills due to emerging industries or sector convergence. She has been the project manager for the development of a portfolio system allowing individuals to document his/or her competences and has written the Danish report to the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) on recognition of informal and non-formal learning, and is an expert to the OECD on that topic. Her work in that area is the focus of her keynote and she will discuss how Europe had found a system to document previous learning and experiences.

Panelists:

Randall Kempner (invited), Vice President for Regional Innovation at the Council of Competitiveness, has over a decade of experience in the field of national and international development consulting. He is the Council's lead technical assistance advisory on the U. S. Department of Labor's Workforce Innovation in Regional Development (WIRED) initiative. In previous positions, he helped design and deliver over a dozen competitiveness seminars for a diverse range of institutions, including the World Bank, U. S Agency for International Development, and the government of the Dominican Republic.

Mary Ann Scully, President, Chief Executive Officer, and Chairman on the Board of Directors of Howard Bank, has over 30 years of varied executive experiences in the Maryland marketplace. She is a board member of the University of Maryland Baltimore County's Alex Brown Center for Entrepreneurship and has also served on the Board of Advisors for Loyola College's Sellinger School of Business. In 2007, she was inducted in the Howard County Women's Hall of Fame and she has been recognized twice as one of Maryland's Top 100 Women. She recently chaired the Howard Community College's third Commission on the Future which involved over 100 community and business leaders and College faculty and staff in an ambitious project to plan programs and services needed in the next five years.

Victor Hess, Howard County Entrepreneur in Residence, focuses on entrepreneurial development and mentors small businesses in the Howard County Neo Tech Incubator. He has more than 30 years of experience in engineering, sales, marketing and executive management, including advising technology startups and as an entrepreneur himself.

Dr. Tom Tuttle, President, Tuttle Group International has an extensive background in quality and productivity, organizational sustainability/environmental performance, education consulting and research, and international consulting. He has consulted for clients in Hong Kong, Guatemala, Brazil, Okinawa, and Canada and conducted training and workshops in Asia, Latin America, and the Caribbean. From 1978 to 2004, he was Director of the University of Maryland Center for Quality and Productivity. He has led numerous teams, both in the U.S. and abroad, to conduct Baldrige assessments of public and private sector organizations. He was Chair of Howard Community College's Commission on the Future Sub-team on Internationalizing the College.

TA3 Colleges sharing best practices.

Site Visit, John Hopkins University Applied Physics Lab (APL), and National Cryptologic Museum: This is a rare opportunity to visit APL which is not open to the general public and is partnering with Howard Community College on a National Science Foundation Grant on Technical Assessment Program. Tour the facility, focus on inventions and new technology, and return to Howard Community College to meet with students who are evaluating the inventions to determine if they should go to the marketplace. After lunch, visit the National Cryptologic Museum and enter the world of code making and code breaking.

Conference Agenda

<i>Sunday June 1, 2008</i>	
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Reception for TA3 Members and Guests , Columbia Sheraton
<i>Monday June 2, 2008—HCC, RCF 400</i>	
8:00 am	Registration/Continental Breakfast
9:00 am	Welcome
9:30 am	Marc Tucker, "New Solutions for a Changing Workforce"
10:45 am	Best Practices Panel on New Solutions <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Randall Kempner, Victor Hess, Mary Ann Scully- Representatives—TA3 Colleges
12:55 pm	Lunch/Networking
2:00 pm	Hanne Shaprio, "Authenticating Work and Life Experience—the European Model"
3:00 pm	Best Practices Panel on Cultural Competencies <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr. Tom Tuttle- Representatives—TA 3 Colleges
4:20 pm	Closing Remarks
6:30 pm	Dinner TA3 Members and Guests, Belmont Inn and Conference Center
<i>Tuesday June 3, 2008 TA 3 Business Meeting—HCC, RCF 400</i>	
8:30 am	Continental Breakfast
9:30 am	Business Meeting
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Business Meeting Continues

2:30 pm	Meeting Ends, Afternoon and Dinner On Own
<i>Wednesday June 4, 2008</i>	
8:30 am	Breakfast on own Site Visit and Student Presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Tour of APL- Lunch in RCF 400 and Student Presentations- After lunch, visit to National Cryptological Museum- End by mid-afternoon- Dinner on own

Transportation will be provided to and from the Sheraton, Howard Community College, Belmont Inn and Conference Center, and site visits.