

Operational Excellence

MMTC-West User Group

Technology User Group

User Group Description

Members of this user group will participate in lectures, tours and open discussion on topics such as:

- Engineering methods and software
- Sensor application and mistake proofing
- Automation & Lean, Six-Sigma and other continuous improvement methods
- Safety technology and error proofing
- Systems approach to automation management – performance metrics
- Implementing an automation strategy and tactical planning
- Tours of best practice companies
- Engineering and maintenance structure, leadership and team building
- Other topics as requested by group members



Output/Benefits

Each company will:

- Learn and share techniques from tours of “Best Practice” and member companies
- Develop a peer network and sounding board to discuss new ideas, techniques, technologies and current improvement opportunities.
- Explore new technologies and approaches to current automation and sensing issues.

Targeted Participants

- Sensor & Automation Technicians
- Controls & Maintenance Engineers
- Automation Managers & Developers
- Tooling Specialists



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Company Requirements

- Each member shall host at least one meeting.
- Each member shall attend all meetings and interact during group discussions.
- Members shall be committed to sharing successes and areas of improvement

User Group Format

Number of sessions: 8

Length of session: 3 ½ hours

Frequency of sessions: every 4-6 weeks

Location: Member company facilities and/or available tour companies

Curriculum

The primary subject matter explored and proposed activities for the user group are:

- The annual work plan developed by participants based on their current needs and learning objectives. *See the topics listed in the Description.*
- Periodically guest speakers will be used to cover new and critical topics
- This is a discussion and sharing learning group

Cost

\$1,000 per company (allows three people to participate)

Facilitator

Rob Ptacek, Competitive Edge

To Register

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