

*Regional network for Manufacturing, Engineering and Technology.*

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*Supporting Organisations:*

## **BIG-Kent Summer Event – Science, Technology, Engineering and Manufacturing (STEM)**



Members of the BIG-Kent network and companies involved in science, technology, engineering and manufacturing related sectors are invited to attend the free BIG-Kent summer event and exhibition. The event is due to be held on the 25<sup>th</sup> July 2012 at the St George's centre, Medway Chatham Maritime. Table top exhibition opportunities will be available by invitation and for manufacturing companies, please enquire to be considered for this opportunity.



The event will feature a series of presentations from senior industrial and academic speakers on issues that are key to science, technology, engineering and manufacturing (STEM) related industries. There will furthermore be presentations from senior members of the financial services sector delivering advice on R&D tax credits, capital allowances, venture capital investment and commercial banking issues which affect companies operating within STEM sectors.



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Networking opportunities with sector specialists will be available, and the event will end with a panel debate exploring how science, technology, engineering and manufacturing sectors can stimulate the economy.



Contact Jason at [wj77@gre.ac.uk](mailto:wj77@gre.ac.uk) to register your interest in attendance.



## **Innovative Product Development Focus Group: Six Sigma / Statistical Process Control in Manufacturing Operations**

This informal discussion will be primarily focused on how your company applies or can apply the Six Sigma and process control tools/philosophy in manufacturing operations, including suppliers'. Related applications in product development and other business processes are also welcome. We would like to invite you to come and share experiences, good practice, solutions, problems and issues with other members of our focus group.



This event will take place on the 16<sup>th</sup> July 2012 at Medway Chatham Maritime. This is an interim activity for the Centre for Innovative Product Development, between the formal workshops that are run twice a year (at Cummins Power Generation, and BAE Systems).



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## *Upcoming Events...*

### **BIG-Kent and EEN at the Farnborough International Airshow 2012**

Enterprise Europe Network South-East UK and London are organising a B2B Matchmaking Event during the Farnborough International Airshow (FIA), which is the world's most iconic global aviation event, occupying a prominent position on the aerospace calendar.

With 1-to-1 pre-arranged meetings, exhibitors and visitors can find potential commercial and technology partners from all over Europe. To arrange the most suitable, effective meetings, we will be compiling an online catalogue which contains profiles of each attendee. The brokerage session will take place on 11 July 2012.

#### **Thematic focus of the brokerage event will be on:**

- Aerospace
- Defence
- Space
- Security sectors

#### **How to participate:**

Please contact Jason at [wj77@gre.ac.uk](mailto:wj77@gre.ac.uk) for further instructions on registration.

**The FIA Matchmaking event will be held at the Holiday Inn hotel, located by the main entrance to the Airshow. Participation is FREE OF CHARGE.**

**Entrance to the Airshow itself is £30 per day when booked in advance, or £37.50 if purchased on the day.**