





What is the UAS Tech Forum?

The Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) Tech Forum will take place September 7-8, 2016, at the Renaissance Waterford Oklahoma City Hotel, 6300 Waterford Boulevard in Oklahoma City, OK.

The UAS Tech Forum will be a convergence of entrepreneurs, investors, researchers, tech transfer professionals, economic development officials and other service providers in the UAS industry. The event will feature tech presentations, valuable networking with attendees and exhibitors, potential investment opportunities, thought-provoking panel discussions and relevant keynote speakers.

Who should attend the UAS Tech Forum?

- Small- to mid-sized companies and advanced manufacturers that seek to grow with the help of technology, researchers, licensees, developers, federal lab and university tech transfer officers;
- **Entrepreneurs** who recognize the potential of the UAS industry and the talent that exists in the Oklahoma-South Kansas region;
- Researchers interested in learning about new FAA regulations and creating a UAS company;
- Service providers looking to help develop and bring resources to UAS companies; and
- **Industry leaders** looking to build interest and collaborations in the industry in a variety of categories.

The event is part of the Unmanned Aerial Systems Cluster Initiative (UASCI) for the Oklahoma and South Kansas region, a collaboration funded by the U.S. Small Business Administration. The Tech Forum and the Cluster Initiative are managed by Development Capital Networks (DCN), an Oklahoma City-based company (<u>www.dcnteam.com</u>), with support from the Oklahoma UAS Council and the Oklahoma Department of Commerce.

In addition to the upcoming Tech Forum, the UASCI has provided funding for service providers on behalf of startup UAS companies. It has supported events from other organizations that have provided networking and business opportunities for people involved or interested in the UAS industry. The UASCI has also promoted the industry to potential investors and created UAS events in finance and manufacturing. As a result of this and other work, the U.S. SBA has renewed its partnership with the UASCI for another year.

For more information about the UASCI and the UAS Tech Forum, please go to <u>www.uascluster.com</u>.