

Reflections and Projections from Twenty Years of LFM Leadership

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A panel discussion

In 1988, MIT Sloan School of Management, MIT's School of Engineering, and industry created the Leaders for Manufacturing (LFM) program to help American manufacturers compete more effectively and address the erosion of competitiveness experienced by many industries. Over the past 20 years, LFM alumni have risen to leadership positions in manufacturing and operations around the globe. Today they apply LFM principles and practices on the factory floor, along the supply chain, and in other arenas such as dotcom enterprises, healthcare, and the Human Genome Project.

LFM's real-world education continues to stand the test of time because it prepares the kind of leaders who are needed now more than ever – leaders that can think globally, understand management and technology, and work successfully amidst the complexity and ambiguity of these uncertain times.

Today LFM is adapting to a new world. The advent of globalization has created new challenges that are different but still very significant. A panel of LFM's industry and academic founders will discuss the original vision and what lessons can be drawn as we look to the future.

Moderated by Donald Rosenfield, Director, LFM Fellows Program and Senior Lecturer, MIT Sloan School of Management

Panelists include:

- **Tim Copes**, President, Shared Services Group, The Boeing Company; LFM '92
- **Donald W. Davis**, retired Chairman and CEO of The Stanley Works; currently serving on LFM's leadership faculty
- **Bill Hanson**, former Vice President of Manufacturing, Digital Equipment Corporation, founding LFM Governing Board member, first LFM Industry Co-Director; currently serving on LFM's leadership faculty
- **Bob Hermann**, former Senior Vice President, Science & Technology, United Technologies Corporation, founding LFM Governing Board member; currently Senior Partner, Global Technology Partners, LLC.
- **Tom Magnanti**, Institute Professor, MIT; former dean, School of Engineering; founding LFM co-director (management)
- **David Marsing**, Managing Director, The Broughton Group; former VP of Intel's Technology and Manufacturing Group and Chief Operating Officer of Intel's Network Communications Group; first LFM Operating Committee member from Intel
- **Eugene Meieran**, Intel Senior Fellow, founding co-director, LFM Research
- **Gerald Wilson**, Vannevar Bush Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science and Mechanical Engineering, former dean of MIT School of Engineering and founding dean of LFM program

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Location: Wong Auditorium

Open to: Entire MIT community



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