

Topcon to Host Infrastructure and Technology Summit

Experts Discuss Solutions for California's Infrastructure Challenges

PLEASANTON, Calif. – May 9, 2018 – Topcon Positioning Systems, leader in precision measurement and workflow solutions for the global construction and geospatial markets, presents The California Infrastructure and Technology Summit, Wednesday, May 9, in Pleasanton, Calif.

Around the country, infrastructure challenges like road quality, aging bridges, housing challenges and budgetary pressures are daunting but critical to overcome. U.S. infrastructure scored a D+ on the last two report cards from the American Society of Civil Engineers. There have been obvious repercussions as important refurbishments have not been made.

However, relevant industries are responding. Significant advances in the area of construction technology and software solutions are being developed and implemented that, compared with typical processes of the past, are streamlining work processes, automating earthwork and paving machinery — improving life cycle maintenance, while lowering ecological impact.

On Wednesday, May 9 at 11 a.m., a select group of experts will present highlights of new technology that allow for the smarter and faster achievement of infrastructure goals.

Ray O'Connor, president and CEO of Topcon Positioning Systems, will deliver the opening remarks that will focus on the impact that technology is having on infrastructure creation and maintenance. His presentation will be followed by a panel of experts including:

- Professor Iris Tommelein, Professor of Engineering and Project Management in the Civil and Environmental Engineering Department at UC Berkeley, on Lean Construction
- Kate Fox Wood, Director of Infrastructure Policy for the Association of Equipment Manufacturers (AEM), on the direction of infrastructure policy at the federal government level and AEM's policy-focused thought-leadership initiative, Infrastructure Vision 2050
- Cindy Ng, Director of UAV Marketing for Intel, on drone market technology's contributions to agriculture and construction
- Kristen Sylva, Marketing Manager Construction Industry for Autodesk, on the Building Information Modeling (BIM) portfolio and its effect on the education and commercial sectors

- Brock Grunt, Executive VP of Operations for McGuire & Hester, on building challenges such as the severe pressure on highway construction in California

Media are welcome to attend the event, which will be followed by lunch and a demonstration of the industry's most innovative technology. Get a hands-on look at positioning, measurement and mapping solutions including earthmoving automation, advance road resurfacing solutions, and new developments in robotic survey and mass data collection. (Details are below.)

The California Infrastructure and Technology Summit will be held during the Topcon Technology Roadshow, May 8 – 11, a roving event featuring the latest technological and software advances for the construction and geospatial industries in a hands-on educational environment visiting 28 cities across North America. The free program features live demonstrations and presentations focused on productivity and profitability in an expandable semi-trailer truck with a seated theater room and product showcase. For more information, visit topconroadshow.com.

SUMMIT DETAILS

When: Wednesday, May 9, 2018 (All times are Pacific)

11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.: Panel discussion

12:15 p.m. Demonstration of unmanned aerial system (drone) followed by networking lunch with experts

Lunch – 5 p.m.: Equipment demos and interviews available (photography and videography welcomed)

5 – 7 p.m.: Barbecue, hosted by Topcon

Where: 1751 Vineyard Ave. Pleasanton, California 94566

About Topcon Positioning Group

Topcon Positioning Group is headquartered in Livermore, California, U.S.

(topconpositioning.com). Its European head office is in Capelle a/d IJssel, the Netherlands.

Topcon Positioning Group designs, manufactures and distributes precision measurement and workflow solutions for the global construction, geospatial and agriculture markets. Its brands include Topcon, Sokkia, Tierra, Digi-Star, RDS Technology, and NORAC. Topcon Corporation (topcon.com), founded in 1932, is traded on the Tokyo Stock Exchange (7732).

Ray O'Connor is President and Chief Executive Officer of Topcon Positioning Systems, Inc., a position he has held since 2002. Additionally, he has served as Chairman of Topcon Europe Positioning Business since 2005 and is a Director of Topcon America Corporation and Topcon Europe BV. He has received multiple business and academic honors as a result of his leadership in the positioning and geospatial industries. In 2013, O'Connor became the youngest inductee into the elite Association of Equipment Manufacturers Hall of Fame, which recognizes and celebrates outstanding individuals in the off-road equipment industry, and their legacy of innovation, service and leadership.

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