

SIG and Group Discussion Schedule

Changes and updates, including new discussions, will be posted at conference registration.

Friday, October 22

Crystal Forum

6:00 PM	The Nanotechnology Business Plan and Protecting Your Intellectual Property <i>Denis Rice and Art Beeman of Howard Rice Nemerovsky Canady Falk & Rabkin</i> Sponsored group discussion.
7:00	Open for signup Note: Overlaps prize banquet.
7:30	
8:00	
8:30	<i>Crystal Forum must be vacated for keynote preparations at 8:30.</i>
9:00	Keynote begins

Saturday, October 23

Crystal Forum

8:00	Nano Education SIG <i>Rosa Wang</i> Working/recruiting/status mtg.
9:00	Intellectual Property SIG <i>John Bashinski</i> Organization/recruiting/status mtg.
9:30	Open SIG Leaders' Meeting <i>John Bashinski</i> SIG program admin. All welcome.
10:00	Open for signup
11:00	Open for signup

Saturday, October 23

Monticello Ballroom (3 concurrent tracks)

8:00 PM	A: R&D Paths <i>Facilitator TBD</i> B: Economic / Social Impacts <i>Facilitator TBD</i> C: Open for signup
9:00	A: Environmental Effects <i>Facilitator TBD</i> B: Open for signup C: Aerospace Applications <i>Facilitator TBD</i>
10:00	A: Military Implications <i>Facilitator TBD</i> B: Surveillance and Privacy <i>Facilitator TBD</i> C: Open for signup
11:00	A,B,C: Open for signup

To sign up to facilitate a group discussion, please go to the conference registration desk.

SIG and Group Discussion Information

SIGs

Foresight Institute SIGs (Special Interest Groups) are continuing collaborations between members of the Foresight community. Each SIG has a specific charter, generally involving creating some work product. At present, Foresight has three formal SIGS:

- The NanoEducation SIG (EdSIG), led by Rosa Wang and Steve Burgess, develops materials and builds relationships to support formal and informal education at all levels. Current projects include a “background” press packet, educational software tools, and a curriculum map.
- The Intellectual Property SIG (IPSIG), led by Harmony Klohr, studies the impact of intellectual property law on the development of advanced technologies, and recommends intellectual property policy positions for the Foresight Institute.
- The Business and Investing SIG (BISIG), led by Brian Wang, forms contact networks and discusses strategies for successful nanotechnology ventures. BISIG will not meet at this conference.

SIGs concentrating on aerospace and medical applications of nanotechnology are under consideration.

For more information on the Foresight SIG program, and especially if you’re interested in forming or joining a SIG, attend the open SIG leaders’ meeting in the Crystal Forum at 9:30 PM on Saturday, or contact John “jbash” Bashinski, sigs@sam.foresight.org.

Group Discussions

Informal group discussions are a long-standing tradition at Foresight Institute events. These discussions offer opportunities to learn, to try out new ideas, and to make contacts.

Although each group discussion is confined to a single event, successful discussions often lead to bigger things. For example, a group discussion might lead to the formation of a Foresight SIG... or to collaboration outside the formal auspices of the Institute.

A number of group discussions have been prescheduled. However, any conference attendee is welcome to schedule a new discussion. Please go to the registration desk to schedule a discussion.

Logistics

Friday group discussions and Saturday SIG meetings will be in the Crystal Forum. Saturday discussions will be in the Monticello Ballroom. You are also encouraged to organize off-site dinner meetings and similar activities; the registration desk can assist you.

Join us for a sponsored group discussion:

The Nanotechnology Business Plan and Protecting Your Intellectual Property

*With Denis Rice and Art Beeman of
Howard Rice Nemerovsky Canady Falk & Rabkin*

6:00 PM, Friday, October 22
Crystal Forum

<http://www.howardrice.com>

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The Foresight Institute thanks Howard Rice Nemerovsky Canady Falk & Rabkin for kindly sponsoring the First Conference on Advanced Nanotechnology