

The last round tables will be held to present the data collected from the Industry 4.0 Readiness Survey held this past summer. This information is vital to developing the 2025 State Initiative for 50% of the state's manufacturing to have implemented some form of Industry 4.0. This data will help identify gaps in technology, education, and industry.

At this round table expect to discuss the need for a better understanding of the Industry 4.0 technologies and how we need to start educating the next generation to be able to transition into factories of the future with modern technology and systems.

# Why Manufacturers Should Attend:

Manufacturers should attend and participate in the roundtables to ensure their future needs are met. We will be discussing the training and knowledge needs of manufacturers. Implementing modern technology will be a critical factor in the success of manufacturers in the future. This roundtable is a necessary step to identify the needs of our region's manufacturers, identify the resources available to them so that we as a region can ensure manufacturing remains strong.

#### Who should attend:

Manufacturing Representatives: Presidents/CEO, Owners, I/T Managers, Plant Managers, Operations Managers, and Financial Managers
Secondary Education Partners
Post-Secondary Education Partners
Local Economic Development Partners

### Key Learning Objectives:

- Identify our regional strengths and opportunities for technology adoption
- Learn more about the results of the Industry 4.0 Readiness Grant Survey
- Engage community partners to ensure the talent pool is properly trained in technologies related to Industry 4.0
- ullet To gauge where the region is with Industry 4.0 Technologies and where the gaps exist

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## Background:

Often referred to as the Fourth Industrial Revolution, or "Industry 4.0," is an advancement in manufacturing technology that is interconnecting physical and digital systems into a smart factory. The goal of this program is to assist small- and mid-sized manufacturers with the exploration of Industry 4.0 technology and practices.

As part of the launch of Michigan's Industry 4.0 Readiness Initiative, The Great Lakes Bay Manufacturers Association (GLBMA) in collaboration with the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) provides you with more information about Industry 4.0 and the state's goal for 2025. This program is brought to you in partnership with The Central Michigan Manufacturers Association (CMMA), Region 5 Economic Development partners, Automation Alley, Regional Michigan Works! offices, the Small Business Development Center, and the Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center. Industry 4.0 brings many positive changes to today's manufacturers to improve their business and operations. We look forward to helping area companies identify opportunities to improve processes, repurpose labor, and implement small, but impactful changes with affordable Industry 4.0 solutions.

To register for one of these sessions - call: 989-964-2881 or email tlblehm@svsu.edu or visit our website at www.glbma.org.