



# 2025

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Building  
Communities  
of Innovation™

# WE'RE IN GOOD COMPANY

Creating a successful Community of Innovation is finding the network to support it. The world's leading IHEs, place-based communities and the programming to activate these communities comprise the AURP network.



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## REACH DECISION MAKERS — GROW YOUR BUSINESS

The Association of University Research Parks (AURP) is an international professional association of research parks and innovation districts. AURP exists to foster innovation, commercialization and economic growth through university, industry and government partnerships.

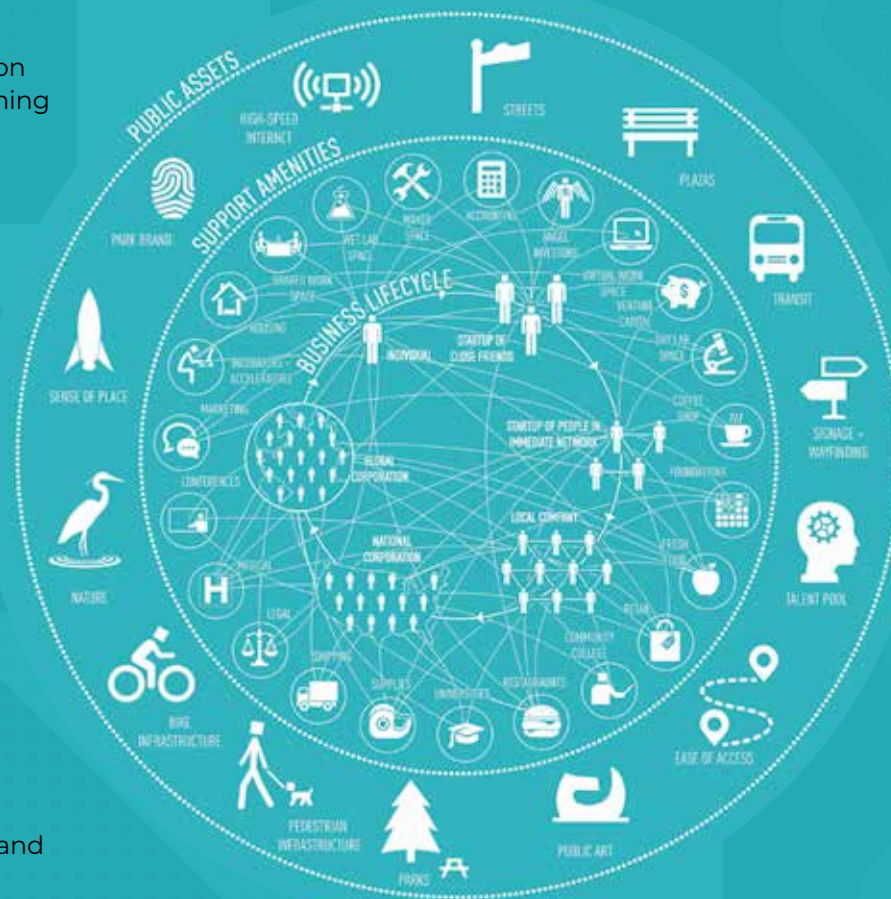
## WHAT IS AURP?

The original Community of Innovation (COI), AURP continues as the convening force for university and placed-based research/science/tech park leadership. Uniting academia, research, and economic development executives, AURP is the unique forum for knowledge exchange in all matters of public-private partnerships advancing innovation and global prosperity.

Since 1986, AURP's reach has expanded to include innovation districts, incubators, accelerators, medical research centers/campuses, federal labs, and community colleges — convening inspired professionals with key industry leaders to share best practices, as well as experience latest advanced technologies required to cost-effectively develop and manufacture quality products.

## WHOM DOES AURP SERVE?

More than 1,000 Communities of Innovation are in varying stages of development worldwide, and a variety of university, governmental, not-for-profit and private organizations interested in the development and operation of research-related technology projects and programs comprise the major portion of AURP's membership.



Our represented COI are place-based environments that generate, attract and retain science and technology companies and talent in alignment with sponsoring research institutions such as universities as well as public, private and federal research laboratories.



Parks/Districts are key economic drivers in most U.S. states and North America.



F500/F100 companies partner with Parks/Districts to create corporate innovation centers.



Innovation activities result in measurable economic development successes through the incubation of emerging technology companies in research parks.\*



These communities are integrated into regional innovation efforts and signature developments for creating dynamic live-work-play environments that attract high-skilled, technology professionals to a region.\*



The focus on innovation is enabling these communities of innovation to demonstrate continued strong growth.

# AURP MEMBERSHIP

Connecting amazing people, sharing bold ideas in order to transform communities.

**WHY AURP?** AURP strengthens connections among leaders in place-based innovation ecosystems, facilitating executives and their communities achieve exceptional performance through growing small business startups, corporate associations and innovation discoveries, job creation with above-average pay, and regional prosperity.

Gain access to premier events, professional development, and resources to sharpen your skills. By expanding relationships and shared discoveries of our members—**we are the BUILDING COMMUNITIES OF INNOVATION.**

Members are categorized into two distinct areas: Institutional and Corporate/Affiliate.

## INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERS:

- Institutions of higher education and their wholly owned subsidiaries
- Research, science or parks
- Innovation districts
- National/Federal laboratories
- Academic medical centers and campuses
- Medical schools
- Community colleges
- Historically Black Colleges and Universities
- Minority Serving Institutions

**REGULAR MEMBER  
INTRODUCTORY  
ANNUAL FEE: \$1,050 USD**

**SUSTAINING MEMBER  
ADVANCED / PREMIER  
ANNUAL FEE: \$2,200 USD**

*Note: All payments accepted in U.S. dollars only.*



**CORPORATE MEMBERS:** Professionals instrumental in facilitating the design, planning, development, operations and strategy of university-related research, and science parks, communities of innovation, technology incubators, innovation districts or technology programs. **\$5,000 USD**

Professionals and service providers instrumental in supporting Institutional (place-based) communities. • Service Providers such as: Accounting, Consulting, Architectural, Planning and Design Firms • Economic Development Agencies • Federal Government Officials • Real Estate Developers and Brokers • Law Firms (IP, Real Estate, Transaction) • Angel and Venture Capital Firms

**AFFILIATE MEMBERS:** Our Affiliate Members include our Individual practitioners or consultants, plus retired institutional members with consulting services, such as those provided by our Corporate Members, but managed by individual professionals. **\$2,200 USD**

Individual consultants plus small group practitioners, (with up to 3-employees/representatives) • Practitioners whose endeavor is to stay connected, engaged and keep their name in the game within our community of innovation • Retired institutional members with consulting services



# AURP BENEFITS

## SUSTAINING INSTITUTIONAL:

Institutional leaders wanting heightened recognition and benefits, may consider adding to their Regular Member benefits:

- Institution featured on AURP website
- Logo displayed at all AURP conferences in programs and signage
- One invitation to the AURP Board of Directors' Dinner
- Priority consideration to serve as speaker or moderator at AURP conferences
- Priority consideration for features in the Park Post and website

## INSTITUTIONAL MEMBER:

Access to a global network of the brightest minds in the research park field to forge long-term relationships that define AURP's membership through connections: Member E-List, Circles (create your own member discussion groups) and Digital Library

**Personalized Assistance** — Have questions about research parks and innovation districts? As a member, you may pose a question to AURP's extensive network of professionals. Our strong AURP network can help you get the answers! Reach practitioners with questions and share best practices, 24/7.

**Communications** — Important updates in innovation with new developments, new funding opportunities, RFPs/RFQs, job postings, CEO Blog, bi-weekly Park Post e-news.

### Premier Professional Development & education opportunities:

- Spring Training, Bio Health Caucus, Annual International Conference, Innovation U—Virtual Seminar Series, Insights into Research Parks series, Communities of Innovation 101 and more
- Awards: Recognition for your Institution/Innovation District, Community Leader, or Company at the Annual Awards of Excellence in Innovation presented each year at the AURP International Conference.



## CORPORATE AND AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP

are open to our service providers — the corporate and small practitioners that want a seat at the table to support our Institutional members and advance their network.

### These advanced Corporate and Affiliate member categories receive:

- **Network Access to our Institutional network!** Building deep relationships through connections including: access to the online member database, member listserv, Circles (create your own member discussion groups) resource center, plus Van Scoyoc weekly updates from The Hill, and more.
- **Personalized introductions** – Let AURP open the door for you — AURP staff can provide the introductions with our Institutional members.
- Serve on the **AURP Board of Directors**, through the AURP member election process.
- **Communications** – Important community updates on your new developments and business development opportunities, new funding opportunities, RFPs/RFQs, job postings, CEO Blog, Bi-weekly Park Post e-news.
- **Premier Professional Development & education opportunities** including access to attend and participate at our Spring Training, Annual Conference, Virtual Seminars, Insights into Research Parks series, Communities of Innovation 101 series (on-demand, Women of AURP NEW!, Caucus programming including (BIO Health, Air & Space, and Clean Technology and Building Resiliency, plus more. Or the many panelist opportunities when AURP speaks throughout our innovation ecosystem.
- **Committee participation** such as Bio Health, Clean Technology & Building Resiliency or Air & Space Caucuses. Regional Partnership Development Program (HBCU/MSI scholarships), and more.
- One invitation to the **AURP Board of Directors' Dinner**
- **Priority consideration** to serve as speaker or moderator at AURP conferences

### Marketing Opportunities

- **Communications** – share your updates with our community plus learn about new building and programs, business development opportunities, new funding strategies, RFPs/RFQs, job postings, AURP Blog, Bi-weekly Park Post e-news & more.
- Organization featured on **AURP website**
- **Logo displayed** at all AURP conferences in programs and signage; plus **We're in Good Company**
- **Priority consideration** for features in the Park Post and AURP News
- **Awards** – of course you're working with an AURP Institutional Member! Submit this project for recognition for their Institution/Innovation District, Community Leader, or Tenant Company with the Annual Awards of Excellence presented each year at the AURP Conference.



# SPONSOR BENEFITS

Discover the many ways you can add to your AURP experience exploring the various sponsorship opportunities through out the year.

## ANNUAL SPONSOR YEAR-ROUND RECOGNITION

	DIAMOND	PLATINUM	GOLD	SILVER
<b>SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP</b>	x	x	x	x
Park Post & Website Feature Articles	x	x	x	x
Individual Banner Recognition & Logo on Website, Signage and Program	x	x	x	x
Webinar or Podcast Host	x	x	x	x
Seats at Board Dinner	5	4	3	2
Comp Event Registrations (Spring Training and International Conference)	4	3	2	2
Ad Space in Digital Program & Screen Recognition	Full	Full	Half	Qtr
Park Post Banner Ad	x	x	x	x
Awards of Excellence Sponsor	x	x		
Reception Sponsor		x		
Table Top Display— 2025 International Conference	x	x	x	x
Priority to Serve as Keynote Speaker, Moderator or Speaker at 2025 International Conference**	x	x	x	x

<b>Diamond</b>	\$50,000/year
<b>Platinum</b>	\$25,000/year
<b>Gold</b>	\$15,000/year
<b>Silver</b>	\$10,000/year

## CONFERENCE SPONSOR HELD EACH FALL

	TRAILBLAZERS	INVENTORS	CONVENERS	CATALYSTS	PIONEERS
Park Post & Website Feature Articles	x	x	x	x	x
Table Top Display at Conference	x	x	x	x	x
Program, Signage & Website Recognition	x	x	x	x	x
Ad Space in Digital Program	Full	Full	Half	Qtr	Qtr
Seats at AURP Board Dinner	4	3	2	2	1
Comp Event Registrations	4	3	2	2	1
Park Post Banner Ad	x	x	x	x	
Webinar or Podcast Host	x	x	x		
Priority to Serve as Keynote Speaker, Moderator or Speaker at Conference**	x	x	x		
Reception Sponsor	x				
Awards of Excellence Sponsor	x	x			
Luncheon Sponsor			x		
AudioVisual and/or Mobile App Sponsor				x	
Continental Breakfast or Break Sponsor					x
Transportation Sponsor					x

<b>Trailblazer</b>	\$15,000/year
<b>Inventors</b>	\$10,000/year
<b>Conveners</b>	\$7,500/year
<b>Catalysts</b>	\$5,000/year
<b>Pioneers</b>	\$2,500/year

\*Additional fees apply for Conference pre-/post-sessions.

\*\*Annual sponsors and event sponsors are required to submit all presentation proposals by posted deadlines for approval and consideration of the Planning Committees. Although acceptance isn't guaranteed, first considerations will apply for all sponsoring organizations.

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# AURP 2025

## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

NOV 11-14 • LAS VEGAS

Hosted by **UNLV** HARRY REID  
RESEARCH &  
TECHNOLOGY PARK

### AN EVENT-BASED SPONSOR OPPORTUNITY

The Harry Reid Research and Technology Park at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas offers a fresh perspective on growth, collaboration, and innovative solutions, showcasing how this thriving community has expanded its reach to become a leading public research university. The park's economic success is fueled by its mission to diversify and strengthen the economy and workforce of southern Nevada. Explore the current and future partnerships that are helping students and the broader community unlock the dynamic potential of their future.

### THE COLLABORATION CENTER

Wednesday, November 12 – 9:00 am – 4:00 pm .....OPEN HOURS

Thursday, November 13 – 9:00 am – 4:00 pm .....OPEN HOURS

### SPONSOR DISPLAY TABLES

Connect with attendees throughout the conference while sharing your organization's expertise and services. Display tables are situated throughout the Sharing Zone which hosts registration and breaks. Tables are limited. Sign up for yours today!



### CONFERENCE SPONSORSHIP

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# 2024 PROGRAM STATS

## WHO ATTENDS?



**347**  
NATIONAL AND  
INTERNATIONAL  
ATTENDEES



**177**  
FIRST TIME  
ATTENDEES

**262**  
ORGANIZATIONS

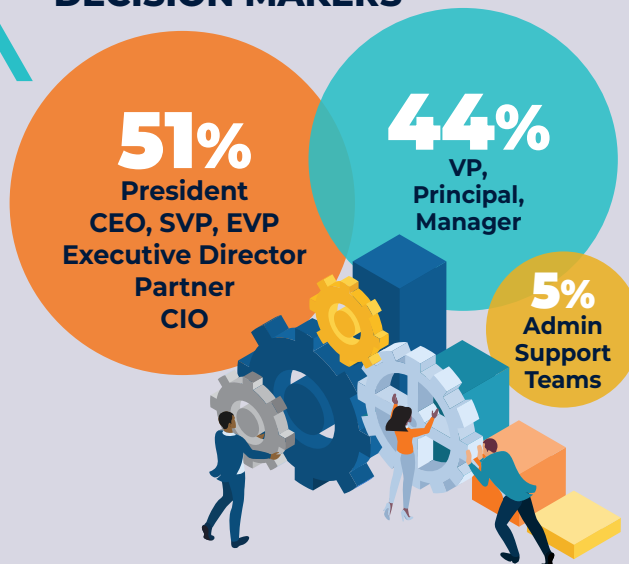


**42**  
SPONSORS

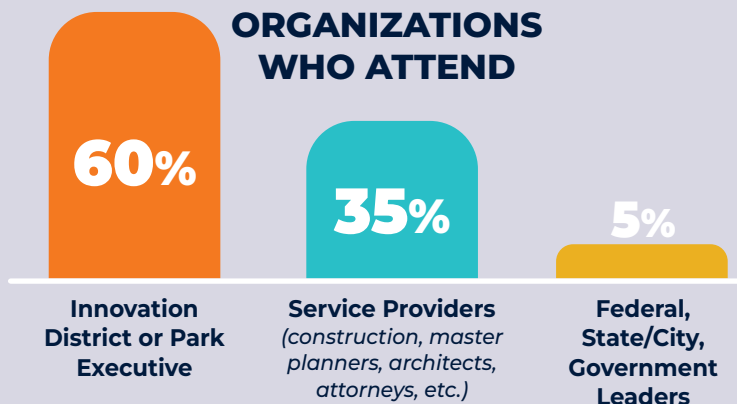


19 Annual Sponsors  
23 Conference Sponsors

## CONNECT WITH DECISION MAKERS



## TYPES OF ORGANIZATIONS WHO ATTEND



## BREAKDOWN OF INSTITUTIONAL -BASED ATTENDEES



## WHAT TO EXPECT



**EXCHANGE:** Meet and network with colleagues representing major university research parks, innovation district and technology hubs to create lasting business relationships



**ENGAGE:** Speakers at the leading-edge of university research park development and scientific exploration



**EXPAND:** Grow your knowledge through stimulating panel discussions and workshops addressing your most critical issues, plus tours that inspire innovation and forward-thinking



**EXPERIENCE:** Connect with veteran colleagues and partners that have the experience of mature parks and district that have stood the challenges of yesterday and the opportunities for today.



# 2024 Participating Research Institutions & Organizations

Accompany  
Activation Capital  
Advanced Regenerative Manufacturing Institute  
AeroPark Innovation District  
Affiliated Engineers, Inc.  
Aggie Square — University of California, Davis  
Ancora Partners LLC  
Arizona State University  
Arkansas Research Alliance  
Arkansas State University  
Arrowhead Center at New Mexico State University  
AUTM  
Axiom Space  
Ayers Saint Gross  
Bakar Labs  
Ballard Spahr LLP  
Baylor University  
Beach Crew  
BICASA North America  
BIOArkansas  
BioForward Wisconsin  
Biomedical Research and Innovation Park, Monroe, Louisiana  
BioVentures  
Blue Rise Ventures  
Brandywine Realty Trust  
Brasfield & Gorrie, LLC  
Brazos Innovation Partners  
bwtech@UMBC Research and Technology Park  
Cambridge Innovation Center  
CannonDesign  
Case Western Reserve University

Centennial Campus at NC State University  
Center for Economic Development — Cleveland State University  
Charles River  
CIC Captains of Innovation  
City of Hamilton  
City of Hoover, Alabama  
City of Las Vegas  
Clark & Enersen  
Cleantech Commons, Trent University  
Coldstream Research Campus  
Collaborative Real Estate  
Corporate Real Estate, Walmart  
Cummings Research Park  
Dan Duncan Consulting LLC  
DPR Construction  
Dreamscape Learn  
Durham Chamber of Commerce  
EcoMap Technologies  
Edgemoor Infrastructure & Real Estate  
Elevate Southwest  
Fayetteville Public Library  
Florida State University  
FortySix Venture Capital LLC  
Franklin Advisory  
Fraunhofer USA  
Frederick County Office of Economic Development  
Gateway Research Park  
Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology News  
Gensler  
George Mason University  
George W. Bush Institute / SMU  
Georgia Institute of Technology  
Greater Baltimore Committee  
Hanbury  
Harvard Allston Land Company  
Heartland Forward  
Highway Ventures  
HOK  
HR&A Advisors  
HudsonAlpha Institute for Biotechnology

Hunden Partners  
Illinois Wesleyan University  
IMEG Corp.  
Indiana Economic Development Corporation  
Indiana University  
Innovation Saskatchewan  
International Space Station National Lab (CASIS)  
Iowa State University Research Park  
IPTalons, Inc.  
ISG  
JEDCO  
JLL  
JMell Communications  
K-State Olathe Innovation Campus  
KPMG  
KU Innovation Park  
Lewis-Burke Associates LLC  
Lincoln Property Company  
Lord Aeck Sargent  
Louisiana Tech University  
LSU Innovation Park  
Maryland Department of Commerce  
Maryland Technology Development Corp  
McAllister & Quinn  
MCB Science + Health  
McCownGordon Construction  
McMaster Innovation Park  
Michigan State University Research Foundation  
Montgomery College (PIC MC)  
Movement Rx  
National Business Incubation Association (InBIA)  
National Institutes of Health  
National Jewish Health  
National Science Foundation  
NDSU Research & Technology Park  
Nebraska Innovation Campus Development Corporation  
New Orleans BioInnovation Center

North Carolina A&T State University  
Northwest Arkansas Council  
Northwest Arkansas Community College  
Nuveen  
Ohio Discovery Corridor  
Oklahoma City Innovation District  
Olsson  
Oregon State University — Cascades  
Pacific Partners  
Page Southerland Page  
Perkins&Will  
PGAV Architects  
Phil Myrick LLC  
Pittsburg State University  
Pivot Park  
Polaris Quantum Biotech  
Port San Antonio  
Portal Innovations  
Princeton University  
Purdue Research Foundation  
Redbrick LMD  
Research Park at South Dakota State University  
Richard King Mellon Foundation  
Roseman University of Health Sciences  
Rowen Foundation  
SAE Government Technologies  
Saint-Gobain — Commercial Solutions  
Saint-Hyacinthe Technopole  
San Diego State University  
Sandia Science & Technology Park  
SAS Institute  
Savills  
Science and Technology Campus Corporation  
SKS Partners, Berkeley Space Center  
Smith Hurst, PLC  
SmithGroup  
South Dakota Mines

Southern Research  
Stanford University  
Sterling Bay  
Stiletto: Make a Point  
Stony Brook University  
Strang, Inc.  
Student-Made Store  
Swinerton  
Tech Parks Arizona  
Texas Foundation for Innovative Communities  
Texas State University  
Texas Tech Health Sciences Center  
The Beach at University of New Orleans  
The Innovation Foundation at Oklahoma State University  
The Ohio State University  
The Park at Auburn University  
The Research Triangle Park  
The University Financing Foundation  
The University of Oklahoma  
The University of Texas at San Antonio  
The University of Texas Permian Basin  
The University of Western Ontario Research & Development Park  
The Weathersby Group, Inc.  
The Whiting-Turner Contracting Company  
Thel Consulting  
Thornton Tomasetti  
Translational Research Institute  
TreMonti Consulting, LLC  
TurboSBIR — powered by OmniSync  
U3 Advisors  
UAS Cluster Initiative  
UC San Diego — Office of Research & Innovation  
University Industry Innovation Network  
University of Arizona  
University of Arkansas

University of Arkansas Technology Development Foundation  
University of California, Los Angeles  
University of Cincinnati  
University of Delaware  
University of Illinois Research Park  
University of Kentucky  
University of Louisville  
University of Maryland BioPark  
University of Nebraska Medical Center  
University of New Hampshire  
University of Saskatchewan  
University of South Alabama Technology & Research Park  
University of South Dakota Discovery District  
University of South Florida Research Park  
University of Wyoming  
University Research Park, University of Wisconsin — Madison  
UNLV Harry Reid Research & Technology Park  
Uptown Consortium, Inc.  
Utah Tech University  
Van Scoyoc Associates, Inc.  
VanTrust Real Estate  
Virginia Bio+Tech Park  
Virginia Tech Corporate Research Center  
Waymaker Group  
WEXFORD Science + Technology  
Wichita State University  
ZGF Architects



## WHAT THEY'RE SAYING...



"Since first attending AURP events and networking with members, I have found a wealth of knowledge! A friend has renamed R&D to 'rip off and duplicate' – and that's what we do! Its sharing of ideas and being able to brainstorm together. Everyone is having similar struggles, even coming from Centennial Campus, we've had tremendous success, but we can still learn and evolve from the conferences and sessions held."

**KEISHA DEMPS**, Director of Partnerships, Partnership Office, Centennial Campus at NC State University.



"I am thankful to be able to participate in AURP and believe in your mission! You guys do such a great job at creating resources for research parks and partners! I am always in awe when I attend the AURP events, so many amazing people come together to share resources and stories."

**RYAN OINES**, Chief Operating Officer, USD Discovery District



"AURP provides valuable resources including research studies to assist with benchmarking, professionals from other parks willing to share their experiences, and continuing education events to keep participants on the leading edge of research park operations and development. One program in particular, Creating Communities of Innovation 101, provides many tips and tools to help executives create lasting impact in their communities."

**GEORGE WARD**, Executive Director, Coldstream Research Campus and UK Real Estate Services, University of Kentucky



"The breadth of experience and knowledge of the AURP membership and the networking value the organization provides is a must for any University Park whether in concept phase or even having been in operation for many years."

**HARRY BRISLIN, IV, MBA**, Director, USA Properties & USA Technology & Research Park, University of Southern Alabama



"As a new member to AURP I wasn't 100% sure what to expect, from the outside looking in the organization seemed to be a fantastic collection of members but you never know until you join. Well, after my first AURP International Conference, I can say for sure that AURP has exceeded all my expectations."

Often in professional organizations and conferences there is an air of competitiveness and a reluctance to share, I had quite the opposite experience at AURP. Everybody was there to help each other and share information and experiences. There was a true high tide raises all boats vibe, people were open to ask and answer all types of questions. This will be just the beginning of my AURP journey and I so look forward to many more events in the future."

**JASON MAGID**, Director, Healthcare Relationship Management, Nuveen Real Estate



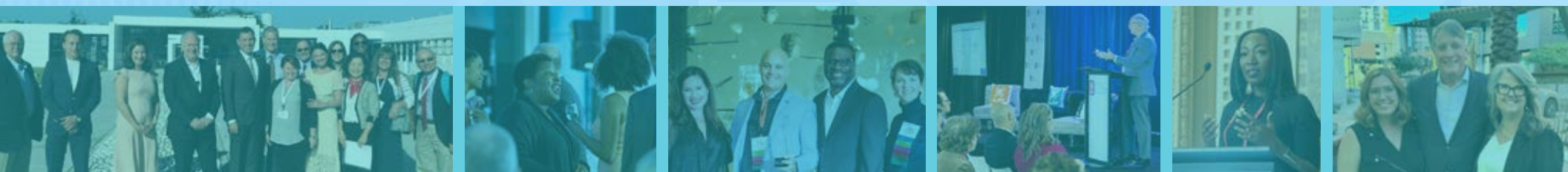
"AURP leadership and members have been integral to the development of the UM BioPark project; from sharing best practices, development models, tenant experiences, and more, the rich depth of expertise in AURP is invaluable."

**JANE SHAAB**, SVP, University of Maryland Research Park Corporation, Associate Vice President for Economic Development, University of Maryland, Baltimore



"When I stepped into my position, my predecessor shared that the most important thing I could do for the longevity of the Park and programs, is go to Spring Training and go the Annual Conference – as all of our best ideas have come from AURP. We have benefitted from having a community of practice. Across the federal lab space, there are not a lot of peer communities doing this [science and technology park space], so being able to look across the country and the world to see what is working and what people are doing that is new and exciting has helped us differentiate ourselves within the federal complex. We would not have held the community together and would not have had the same cohesion without AURP."

**DAVID KISTIN**, Manager, Technology and Economic Development, Sandia Science & Technology Park, Sandia National Laboratories



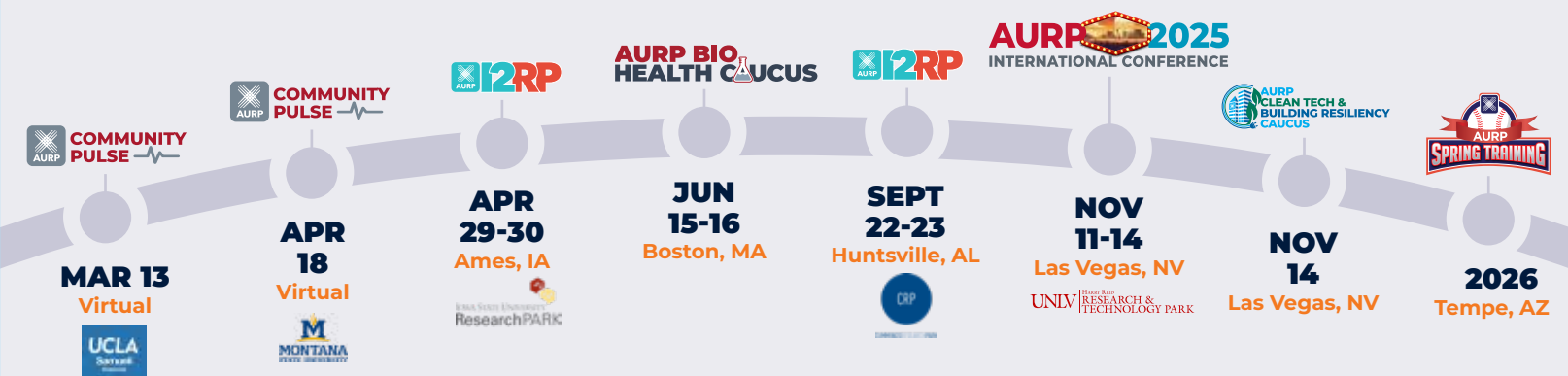




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# FROM START TO FINISH, 2025 IS GOING TO BE GRAND

AURP's 2025 calendar is packed with knowledge-rich content and abundant opportunities to engage in your community of innovation. Mark your calendar and make your plans for another incredible year to unlock your potential, launching your impact and achievement.



## OTHER AURP EVENTS



Unifying partnering organizations, AURP is driving RAIN (the Rural Autonomous Innovation Network) to leverage AURP's university

membership (known as "The RAIN Makers") with supporting firms in EPSCOR states and rural communities, to grow and scale STEM/R&D-focused small businesses in autonomous vehicles and robotics, both terrestrial and aerial.



**Communities of Innovation 101 On-Demand, Digital Series** Over 10 education modules plus additional case studies to advance your knowledge.



Chaired by leaders from Cummings Research Park, CASIS, and UMD UAS Test Site – AURP is launching communities of innovation.



Member-nominated scholarships are available for HBCUs and MSIs to build all-encompassing opportunities for all communities of innovation.



**MAR 13 | APR 18**

This online forum connects our AURP colleagues and peers offering members a platform to share their unique Community of Innovation through discussion and Q&A. **2:30–3:00 PM EST | AURP Members Only**



**IA: APR 29-30 | AL: SEP 22-23**

AURP's I2RP is designed for those interested in examining and comprehending the fundamentals of distinctive parks to absorb knowledge on their unique stories of development, current challenges, and strategies for growth. For as we say, "If you have seen one Research Park, you have only seen one Research Park".



**JUN 15-16**

AURP returns with the State Bio Association Roundtable, plus discussion on legal issues for bio startups, the role of the bio press, federal bio funding updates, and more. Come in clutch uniting with global bio health peers for focused exploration in life sciences.

Held in conjunction with BIO International Convention | June 16-19



**NOV 11-14**

This desert region is electric with emerging enterprises and bold ideas to scale state of the art facilities to diversify and expand the Southern Nevada and beyond. As our 2025 Annual Conference host, UNLV | Harry Reid Research and Technology Park shares this novel story of revitalization and new avenues for this economic engine. **international.aurp.net**

Hosted by **UNLV** Harry Reid RESEARCH & TECHNOLOGY PARK



**NOV 14**

Watch for more information on the upcoming Clean Tech Caucus during the 2025 International Conference in Las Vegas!



**2026 | Tempe, AZ**

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