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World's Innovation Leaders to Put an International 'Face' On Innovation at Inaugural Global Summit

*Institute for Large Scale Innovation to host 3-day meeting
to create agenda and focus for future direction of global innovation*

SAN FRANCISCO (June 2, 2009) — Innovation leaders from around the world will gather at Cavallo Point in the San Francisco Bay Area in early June for the first Global Innovation Summit, a three-day event designed to foster an international community that will determine the future direction of innovation from a global perspective.

The Institute for Large Scale Innovation (ILSI), a non-governmental organization led by Dr. John Kao, is hosting the summit and will bring together some of the brightest minds from innovation-savvy countries to create an agenda for global stewardship and collaboration regarding large-scale, societal innovation issues.

“Building a framework for innovation at a global level is no small task and certainly won’t be finished in three days,” Dr. Kao said. “We see this as an opportunity to start the conversation among participants – the Innovation 20 (I20)- in creating alignment around core concepts and definitions, exploring models for issues such as stewardship and setting an agenda for the future.”

I20 participants will include senior government officials, scientists, research and innovation policy-makers, government advisors and other experts from Finland, Singapore, China, Brazil and other countries noted for large-scale programs of innovation. Additionally, experts from ILSI and sponsor Deloitte will offer business and technology perspectives on innovation to Summit participants.

“One of the key issues we hope to address with the I20 is the current limitations associated with universal public service,” said Greg Pellegrino, Public Sector Industry Leader, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu. “We believe there is an opportunity for government service to leverage user-designed innovation to help provide next generation public services to all citizens, regardless of where they live.”

Global Innovation Summit of the I20 at a glance

What: The Global Innovation Summit brings together key stakeholders from the world’s most innovation savvy countries to create an agenda for global stewardship and collaboration regarding large-scale societal and innovation issues.

When: June 3-5, 2009

Why: To help provide a “face” and locus of responsibility for innovation at a global level, each of the Summit’s three days will address a core theme around global innovation. The sessions will include a mixture of presentations, strategic conversation, facilitated exercises, and shared experiences among the participants.

How can I attend/get involved?

Although most of the sessions will be conducted in private, Dr. Kao and others will be offering regular updates and behind-the-scene glimpses of the Summit’s activities at <http://twitter.com/I20Summit> and at www.largescaleinnovation.org.

If you are a member of the media, please contact ilsi@mww.com to attend the June 5 (1:00pm) media event and speak with participants. If you cannot attend the event and are still interested in more information, a separate briefing either in person or via a teleconference can be scheduled.

If you are interested in being a part of the I20, participating in future events or sponsorship please contact, Dr. John Kao at info@largescaleinnovation.org.

About ILSI

ILSI, the Institute for Large Scale Innovation, defines, coordinates and drives the innovation agendas of nations, regions and the global system.

The organization believes that new innovation strategies, tools, and competencies are required as we move into a new kind of global innovation economy that is evolving at a time of unprecedented disruption and turmoil. For further information, please visit: www.largescaleinnovation.org or <http://twitter.com/I20Summit>.

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About Innovation 20:

These individuals are invited because of their wisdom and experience in their field of innovation, not because they represent a particular "official" perspective. The I20 includes the following:

- Terry Cutler, Director of CSIRO and Chairman of 2008 Government Review of Australia's Innovation System
- Francelino Grando, Chief Innovation Advisor, Ministry of Trade and Industry Brazil
- Marcos Kulka, CEO, Fundacion Chile
- Wang Yuan, VP of Chinese Academy of Science and Technology
- Francisco Santos, Vice President, Colombia
- Mikko Kosonen, CEO of SITRA – The Finnish National Innovation Fund
- R.A. Mashelkar, President, Global Research Alliance and former director general, Council of Science and Research of India
- Tateo Arimoto, Research Institute of Science and Technology for Society (RISTEX); Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST)
- Lars Aukrust, Executive Director, Ph.D., Division for Innovation, The Research Council of Norway
- Lionel Yeo, Office of the Prime Minister Singapore
- Philip Rycroft, Director of Innovation at the Department of Innovation, Universities and Skills in the United Kingdom

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