

# *E Kamakani Noi'i*

## *Innovation for Hawai'i's Growth*

*January 13–14, 2011, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.*

*Sheraton Waikiki, 2255 Kalakaua Avenue, Waikiki, Hawai'i*

### *You are invited*

to join national and community leaders in discussing Hawai'i's innovation economy, *E Kamakani Noi'i: The Wind That Seeks Knowledge*. This symposium will be convened under the auspices of the STEP Board's current work on Competing in the 21st Century: Best Practice in State and Regional Innovation Initiatives.

### *The goal of the conference*

is to engage Hawai'i business and political leaders with high-level U.S. government officials and others positioned to help drive innovation, business formation, and growth in Hawai'i. We will convene local and national leaders to highlight the accomplishments and growth of the innovation ecosystem in Hawai'i, while identifying needs, challenges, and opportunities.

Importantly, the conference will allow us to discuss a series of proposed initiatives to strengthen Hawai'i's innovation and technology infrastructure and identify areas where federal, state, and foundation contributions could generate positive synergies. The meeting will also draw attention to the scale and focus of foreign competitive programs and consider their implications for Hawai'i and the nation while highlighting Hawai'i's potential as a Pacific center for innovation. The National Academy plans to issue a report based on the conference that will reinforce these goals and enhance understanding of the accomplishments and potential of the state.

*There is NO registration fee. Two-day conference is free to registered attendees. Includes lunches and receptions.*

*Self parking is available for \$8.*

*R.S.V.P. at [www.hawaii.edu/innovation](http://www.hawaii.edu/innovation) by January 6.*

*For assistance, call UH Foundation Special Events at 956-4563.*

### *Speakers include:*

The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye, *United State Senate*

The Honorable Neil Abercrombie, *Governor, State of Hawai'i*

The Honorable Steven Chu, *Secretary, Department of Energy (I)*

Ms. Ginger Lew, *Senior Advisor, White House National Economic Council*

Dr. M.R.C. Greenwood, *President, University of Hawai'i*

Dr. Mary Good, *Dean of Engineering, University of Arkansas Little Rock and Member, National Academy of Engineering*

Dr. Charles Wessner, *National Academies Scholar and Director, Technology, Innovation and Entrepreneurship*

Mr. Roger Kilmer, *Director, Manufacturing Extension Partnership, NIST*

Ms. Katharine Ku, *Director, Office of Technology Licensing, Stanford University*

Mr. Daniel Goldin, *Chairman and CEO, Intellis*

Dr. Louis Proenza, *President, Akron University*

Dr. Mary Walshok, *Vice Chancellor of Public Programs and Dean of Extended Studies, University of California, San Diego*

Mr. Michael Borrus, *Founding Partner, X/Seed Capital*

Mr. Roger Kilmer, *Director, Manufacturing Extension Partnership, NIST*

Mr. Tyrone Taylor, *President, Capitol Advisors on Technology*

Mr. Barry Weinman, *Co-founder, Allegis Capital*

Dr. Hank Wuh, *CEO, Cellular Bioengineering/Skai Ventures*

*Full agenda available at [www.hawaii.edu/innovation](http://www.hawaii.edu/innovation)*

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