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Paul Hesselschwerdt, President, Global Partners Inc
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- How to use Six Sigma tools to build upon Lean process improvements (VOC, data displays, process sigma, cause and effect diagramming, root cause analysis)

Cary Paulin, Vice President, Rath & Strong/Aon Management Consultants

Fast Innovation: Driving superior differentiation, speed to market, and sustained organic growth

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- Tools and methods for turning customer insights into ideas that will generate significant ROI
- The key levers that senior leadership must engage to create innovation capability across the business


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Simulation and optimization techniques can provide Design for Six Sigma (DFSS) practitioners with reduced reliance on physical prototypes, rapid time-to-market, minimal defects and post-design rework. These advantages lead to quantifiable benefits within the product development lifecycle, in terms of time and cost.

Through a series of case studies, this workshop will provide six Sigma, Process Excellence and Lean practitioners with the rationale for spreadsheet simulation and optimization in DFSS initiatives. Discussion topics will include:

- Role of simulation and optimization in the DMAIC methodology
- Disadvantages of not quantifying uncertainty in DFSS projects
- Differences between deterministic and stochastic optimization
- Tradeoff considerations when running optimizations

Attendees will learn practical techniques for efficiently identifying robust, high quality solutions through the use of Monte Carlo simulation and optimization. This workshop will be led by Decisioneering – Crystal Ball.

How to Deploy Six Sigma and Lean - Part 2 (Joint workshop with Workshop C)

Just getting started with Six Sigma or Lean?

Find out what it takes to successfully deploy Six Sigma and/or Lean within an organization. This workshop will discuss aligning goals with strategic objectives, how and when to get executives engaged, where to start, what to expect, as well as the roles each member of the community will play.

This is a perfect adjunct to the introductory lunch session, “The Principles of Six Sigma and Lean”, or can be taken as a stand-alone workshop for individuals that have a clear sense of the methodologies but want to determine the best place to start.

Attendees will receive personalized guidance from the workshop leader and leave with:

- An understanding of what they need to get started and be successful
- The ability to gauge the need for a deployment at their organization
- Clear guidance on how to build stakeholder support
- Personalized guidance about how the deployment planning process should work for them
- An understanding of what it takes to put together a deployment plan and what the deployment roadmap looks like

Paula Feldman Parmeter, Initialization Deployment Leader, Breakthrough Management Group

Strategic Six Sigma for Business: Assure that your Six Sigma initiatives deliver results most important to your business

Today, Six Sigma is no longer simply about quality and consistency within isolated projects. It is about improving your entire business. By applying a business-oriented approach to your initiative, strategic Six Sigma can become an essential foundation to assure that business units consistently achieve their key goals within their day-to-day operations. From more effective sales and marketing to improved margins and revenues, Six Sigma for business can help your teams deliver a far greater return on investment and achieve deeper executive support much sooner in your initiative.

Learn how strategic Six Sigma for business can:

- Focus project selection to key business objectives
- More effectively engage key executives and business unit leaders
- Better define marketing focus and product development
- Increase efficiency and accountability in advertising and communications
- Improve customer services and loyalty

This workshop will review case studies, best practices and available software solutions to best drive meaningful and significant business advantages from each Six Sigma team.

Jeff Watts, Vice President, Corporate Marketing, Instantis

Over the past six years, Jeff has lead marketing teams in Web Services, Composite Application platforms, eCommerce and Financial Services Networks for market pioneers like Intershop and Commerce One. Jeff has worked within advertising and marketing agencies for global leaders like Microsoft, McDonalds, Blockbuster Video and others.

Creating a Six Sigma Culture Across Your Organization

To successfully drive Six Sigma throughout any organization, you need to create and sustain a culture based on the core concepts of Six Sigma. Achieving this however, poses a considerable challenge. Core concepts such as, measuring process performance, managing with data and using the Voice of the Customer to focus and drive improvements are so foreign to some business areas that even introducing these concepts is met with significant resistance. Learn how to shift the thinking and behaviours of managers through a series of logical steps.

- Linking Six Sigma to the organization’s most important business strategies and results
- Clearly demonstrating how Six Sigma tools and methodologies can be successfully applied, not only in traditional functions such as manufacturing and engineering groups, but also in HR, Finance, Sales and Marketing
- Achieving visible and significant results by selecting and implementing the Six Sigma projects that address the organization’s most urgent business challenges
- Accelerating change by leveraging these initial projects across the organization
- Global Partners has worked with clients to create lasting change in such areas as R&D for a major Biotech company, sales force transformation for a leading supplier of healthcare solutions and bringing Six Sigma into sales and marketing organizations for a major supplier of industrial products.

Suitable for: Six Sigma project and deployment leaders, Change Management Directors, Directors of Strategy and Planning.

Paul Hesselschwerdt, President, Global Partners Inc

Paul Hesselschwerdt is the President of Global Partners Inc., a Boston-based consulting and management development firm. He focuses on helping clients to build knowledge and capabilities in order to achieve major business initiatives and grow their businesses worldwide. Paul has worked with many global organizations, including Crane Company, Alstom, General Electric, Serono Biotech and Schneider Electric to improve their sales and marketing capabilities and achieve breakthrough improvements in performance and results.
A Conversation with Jack Welch (via satellite)

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In his 20 years at General Electric, Jack Welch transformed the company from a bureaucratic behemoth to a dynamic and revered powerhouse. During his tenure, GE market value grew from $13 billion to $500 billion. In the process, Welch’s management innovations have made him one of the most influential CEOs of his era.

Day One: Wednesday October 26

7.30 Registration and Continental Breakfast

8.15 Chair’s opening address

8.30 A fresh approach to integrating Lean and Six Sigma

There is little debate today that organizations need the incremental benefit from both Six Sigma and Lean. Even GE has changed its mantra from Six Sigma to Lean Six Sigma. When you take an objective look at the literature on how to integrate these initiatives, however, much of it appears to be based on faulty assumptions about what Six Sigma and Lean actually are, and what they actually do. A closer examination of the fundamentals of Six Sigma and Lean leads to a fresh approach to their integration, one that is both simpler and likely more effective than today’s standard practice.

- Clarifying the fundamentals of Six Sigma and Lean
- Providing a simpler approach to integration
- Enabling organizations to reap the benefits of Six Sigma and Lean more effectively

Roger Hoerl, Manager – Applied Statistics Lab, GE Global Research

9.15 Using Six Sigma as a competitive weapon

Motorola set out to take $3 billion of cost out of operations in 2004, which they achieved. This presentation is about using Six Sigma to understand what cost reductions are possible and how to set-up and drive the organization to achieve them. Kevin will use actual 2004 data to illustrate this process and will present the case study of how Motorola made it happen. He will discuss:
- Structure of the implementation
- Aligning scorecards to drive cost reductions
- Use of digital cock-pits
- Training and resource requirements
- Rigor necessary to review and drive programs
- Reward and recognition for achievements

Kevin Kent, Director of Quality and Digital Six Sigma, Motorola Mobile Devices Business

10.00 Coffee & Networking

10.30 A Conversation with Jack Welch (via satellite)

Stream A: Linking Lean Six Sigma with Other Methodologies

Combining the powers of Lean and Six Sigma

From the firm that first brought Lean to the United States, Rath & Strong is the first consulting firm to truly integrate Lean and Six Sigma under the DMAIC problem-solving methodology. Now you can combine the power of Six Sigma to eliminate defects and variation with the power of Lean to eliminate waste and create continuous flow. Cary will discuss the two major pillars of structured problem solving in the late 20th century - Lean and Six Sigma and how these two methodologies fit together and how one uses the combined toolkit in a practical situation.

Cary Paulin, Vice President, Rath & Strong/ Aon Management Consultants

Stream B: Excellence Awards Winners

Critical to Quality: Delivering the desired results for your customers

The approach to Six Sigma within The Coca-Cola Company is a holistic model that focuses on three areas:
- Top Level Indicators (TLIs) - critical customer needs and business indicators
- Process Management Control Systems – the real time management of processes whose outputs are linked to and drive the TLIs
- Process Improvement – the use of improvement methodologies; DMAIC to improve existing processes and DMADV to design or redesign new processes, products or services

Delegates will learn how, together, these three areas of focus improve processes that are not delivering the desired results. The benefits of this approach is the discovery of what is critical to the customer and The Coca-Cola Company’s business financials; alignment, visibility, accountability and transparency all build capability and drive towards a process improvement culture.

Zafar Khan, Director - Business Process Excellence, The Coca-Cola Company

Stream C: Managing the Cultural Change

Chair: Roxanne O’Brasky, President, ISSSP

How Six Sigma accelerated the Bank of America merger process

When Bank of America announced plans to acquire FleetBoston Financial Corporation in October 2003, investors and analysts were skeptical of the transaction. Today, the success of the merger transition has belied the skepticism. Brad will discuss how the transition teams are leveraging Hoshin Kanri disciplines to establish breakthrough goals and manage for results. Learn how Six Sigma tools are being used in the planning and execution for each phase of the transition.
- Six Sigma deployment when combining two significant cultures
- Executive management’s influence when building associate awareness and adoption of Six Sigma
- Leveraging Six Sigma and the DMAIC tollgates to get approval for activities and system functionality

Brad Dalton, Senior Vice President, Quality & Productivity Transition Executive, Bank of America

Double Winners of the 2005 Excellence Awards: DISS & Defect Elimination in Service & Transaction

Stream D: Lean Six Sigma for regional offices & Small to Medium Businesses

Shrinking the parameters: What works and what doesn’t in the small firm

Is implementation of a wide-ranging initiative such as Six Sigma the same at large and small companies? In fact a small company enjoys certain advantages and faces different challenges than the larger business. Is the number of black belts and green belts and the savings they generate calculable from commonly available data? This session is for companies seeking to deploy Six Sigma for the first time or wanting to evolve their program. Learn what works and what doesn’t at the small firm.

Sanjay will present Six Sigma projects in HR, Manufacturing, Sales and Marketing.
- Advantages and challenges of implementing Six Sigma in the small organization
- Do big company metrics apply to small companies also?
- Aligning Six Sigma strategically in the small firm
- Project examples: HR, Customer Service, Manufacturing, Sales and Marketing

Sanjay Gupta, Six Sigma and Information Technology Manager, Tregaskiss Ltd.
Adding Lean muscle to your supply chain

The powerful integration of Lean and Six Sigma in the supply chain provides the plan of attack and tools to increase process speed, lower the total cost of ownership, champion higher quality and develop a culture that thrives on continuous improvement. Attendees in this session will learn how WR Grace deployed Lean Six Sigma across the breadth and depth of its supply chain, while attacking the COPQ, with the goal of defect free manufacturing.

- Engaging the top leaders in your company
- Developing and deploying a plan to attack the COPQ in your supply chain
- Employing the suitable tools that accelerate success in your supply chain
- Creating the tools to monitor and accelerate project progress

Maurice Ghattas, Vice President, Global Supply Chain, WR Grace

John Pelton, Director, Corporate Productivity, WR Grace
Day Two: Thursday October 27

8.00 Registration and Continental Breakfast

9.00 Chair’s opening address

9.15 Meeting the challenges of productivity and growth through Lean Six Sigma

Three years ago Xerox began implementing its Lean Six Sigma program across the entire enterprise, setting ambitious goals for productivity through business process improvements. Focused first on building capability and addressing internal improvements, the global initiative has to date met or exceeded the targets set by Corporate leadership. While continuing and expanding the initiative’s internal focus, Xerox has begun to collaborate with customers using its Lean Six Sigma capabilities to create new value for those customers and the company. This presentation will:

• Share Xerox’s approach to Lean Six Sigma
• Highlight lessons learned to date
• Present both internal and external case study examples

Dave Rowlands, Vice President – Lean Six Sigma Deployment, Xerox North America Operations

10.00 Fast Innovation: Building a sustainable engine for growth

Kimberly Watson-Hemphill, co-author of “Fast Innovation”, will discuss some of the key elements of ‘strategies such as multi-dimensional innovation, improving time-to-market, and understanding the heart of the customer.

Kimberly Watson-Hemphill, Director, George Group

10.30 Coffee & Networking

11.00 Solving problems: Using Six Sigma to engage your larger management community

At Delphi, Six Sigma is being used as a problem solving technique to broaden the scope of all managers; the business issues they face on a daily basis are problems that can be solved. With this belief, managers in all areas of the business can start de-layering the counter measures that propagate the additional burdens and overhead structures that exist in so much of our businesses. Temporary work-arounds have become the norm so much that daily work routines can no longer tell the difference between work and rework, value and waste. In this session, Bob will examine Delphi’s learning-by-doing management skills which have helped his senior management to position their thinking towards their everyday problems.

• Educating managers to behave differently towards solving their problems
• Creating the mindset shift required in management to see work and waste

Bob Bellows, Associate Technical Fellow, Enterprise Thinking Network, Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne, A United Technologies Company

11.45 Use your customer as the Kanban: Creating the Lean supply chain

Supply Chain is at the heart of every organization – whether it’s managing inventory, setting the production schedule for the factory, or reacting to new customers with different products. Companies must learn to adapt themselves to the strategies of their customer base, irrespective of the product, service or information provided. Thom will talk about the strategy and action needed to create a Lean Supply Chain, utilizing the philosophy of Lean as well as the methodology of Six Sigma. From the sales order to remittance, Thom will show how applying Lean Six Sigma can reduce your cycle times and improve your capability - and ultimately leave your competition behind.

• Combining structured problem-solving with other Lean work and supervisory tools
• Creating the Value Stream from customer contact to remittance and redefining what’s truly Value Added
• Eliminating the exposed waste that the customer is NOT willing to pay for
• Learn to supply your customers on pull rather than push
• Learning how to set the strategy and apply Lean Six Sigma

Thom Keehan, Americas Demand Management Leader, GE Plastics

12.15 Lunch by invitation only to ISSSP’s Leadership Circle and Master Black Belt Circle

2.30 Break – refreshment and networking

4.00 To infinity (and zero) and beyond: Reflections on the fabric of Lean and Six Sigma quality

Controversially, this session is about NOT doing Six Sigma and Lean. Bill will explain a more moderate approach, which he feels can be adapted more beneficially into individual companies. Using his experience at The Boeing Company, he will address the notion that every company needs a little fat - Lean is not always the right method to use. The purpose of this session is to provoke thought on whether or not your company should be adopting Lean Six Sigma or not, and hence more time has been allowed for inevitable questions and answers:

• Deciding your position: Just how moderate should you be?
• Dispelling the one-size-fits-all thinking
• Stop aiming for Infinity and Zero: How leaders should make the decisions on implementation

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4.40 Quality is power: The benefits of a systemic approach to continuous process improvement and market performance

Jack Robinson pioneered the concept of looking at Quality factors to assess a company’s system of management in the 1970s when he became aware of Total Quality Management. This idea of quality as a significant factor in the market, in development for over 25 years, matured in the late 1990s with the advent of the 0-100®. The national standards of a commitment to quality are definable, and as such the results are quantifiable. The speaker, Craig, is Jack’s son, and in 1998 he and Mark Billiedeau developed a proprietary scoring methodology that analyzes the quality of grading yourself based on success of attaining quality goals and achieving national recognition

• Benchmarking against the 100 highest scoring companies, chosen from a cross section of economic sectors
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Craig Robinson, Co-founder of the 0-100®

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5.50 Chairman’s remarks – End of Day 1

7.00 Round the World extravaganza – see page 3 for more details
As easy as pie: Key ingredients for successful DISS deployment

The recipe for successful DISS deployment must be tailored to the particular enterprise within which it is being deployed. However, there are several key ingredients common to successful deployments. This presentation describes these key ingredients, their linkage and the deployment process being followed at Bausch & Lomb.

- What does success look like?
- Providing internal/external support
- Instilling the best communication practices
- Examining training and certification processes
- Developing product and process mapping

Jeffrey L. Slutsky, Director of DISS, Bausch & Lomb Inc.

Deploying Lean Six Sigma in a government transnational environment

Federal agencies are facing increasing pressure from the public and Congress to reduce costs, streamline operations, and increase service quality. To combat these pressures, many agencies are turning to Lean Six Sigma to build a sustainable method to increase productivity, improve quality and reduce the cost of doing business. Mark will discuss challenges and proven approaches to deploying Lean Six Sigma within federal agencies, including:

- Driving superior results by aligning strategic priorities with project selection
- Focusing on leadership skills as well as technical to increase team effectiveness and efficiency
- Best practices in Lean Six Sigma deployment that will advance implementation and create a unique continuous improvement culture

Mark Price, Vice President Client Services, George Group

Stream F: Lean Six Sigma for Government

Stream G: Leadership and Six Sigma

Chair: Roxanne O’Brasky, President, ISSSP

Taking leveraging to new heights: Capitalizing on Six Sigma with best demonstrated practices

In Six Sigma, a key success element is leveraging of project work: building from experience to minimize the time and resources required to implement change. But by focusing specifically on project work and therefore particular areas or types of processes, opportunities may be missed for leveraging best demonstrated practices that can be applied in many areas and to many projects. In this session, Gillian will discuss the Best Demonstrated Practice (BDP) program established at ACE Aviation to ensure that they identify excellence and communicate it to the Six Sigma community. Six Sigma is about continuous improvement of the business; the BDP program is helping to support the continuous improvement of Six Sigma at ACE by leveraging our intellectual capital:

- Developing the program using the DMAIC approach
- Deploying an on-going support requirements
- Examples of recognized BDPs
- Challenges faced and the steps to address them

Gillian Mann, Master Black Belt, Air Canada

Transforming your organization into a model Six Sigma company

The passion for the continuous innovation by Six Sigma and the unified corporate culture transformed Samsung Petrochemical into a Six Sigma Company within a short period of time. Since then, Six Sigma has been specialized in the leadership, best team selection and other various management systems, which has made distinguished achievements and output in cultural change and human capital development. In this session, Sung Hoon Park will demonstrate how the integration of Six Sigma with previous initiatives has created exemplary projects and results:

- Gaining leadership commitment
- Leveraging projects led by top managers
- Developing culture change and human capital by belt training
- Synergizing Six Sigma with knowledge management systems

Sung Hoon Park, Vice President, Samsung Petrochemical Co., Ltd.

Stream H: Taking Six Sigma to your customers

Modifying the classical tool set and strategy to achieve profitable growth

The focus for major companies is now on becoming truly customer-centric and developing new offerings to bring value to their customers. This has manifested itself in several ways, including the development of customized Six Sigma training programs for customer-facing groups such as Sales and Marketing. These approaches integrate Sales and Marketing tools into the classical Six Sigma tool set. Other organizations have created Six Sigma approaches to new growth initiatives such as solution selling aimed at developing customized offerings that solve customer problems. In this session, Edward will overview how leading companies have modified the ‘classical’ Six Sigma and Design for Six Sigma tool set and strategy in order to drive revenue growth.

Edward Abramowich, Author of Six Sigma for Growth: Driving Profitable Top-Line Results, Director Six Sigma, Global Sales Organization, Sun Microsystems

Knowledge for sale: Training your customers in Lean Six Sigma

As a classic example of how to implement Lean Six Sigma across the whole product to customer chain, National Starch conducts projects, training, and assists in project execution for its customers. George will expand upon their methods in this session so that you can evaluate exactly how to continue Lean Six Sigma outside of your own box.

- Reducing waste and adding efficiency across the value chain
- Breaking down silos between suppliers and customers
- Increase efficiency and customer value
- Leverage Lean and Six Sigma to reduce cost

George Pesansky, Senior Manager, Process Solutions Team, National Starch & Chemical
Grounding organizational success in your people and culture
Top performing organizations establish a comprehensive approach to transfer critical business issues into business process improvement applications. Creating a high performing culture involves supporting it with proven applications that drive continuous improvement, performance consulting, timely/flexible learning and operational metrics aligned and integrated to operational strategies. This session will cover how the development and positioning of key elements applied in a timely sequence can build off each other to support a holistic approach to achieving industry leading organizational success:

- Driving program maturity tied to organizational maturation
- Integrating proven tools and applications in a sequence to ensure success
- Transitioning a grassroots effort into a corporate driven initiative

Mayor Graham Richard, City of Fort Wayne, Indiana

May the force be with you: Making leaders out of your black belts
When selecting the first round of Black Belts at Virtua Health, they looked to their partner GE Healthcare to show them how to make their Black Belts into suitable project leaders. Using Session C, one of the HR components at GE, they took on a structure that made leadership roles imperative for their Black Belts within a 3 year time span: a risky strategy that has been overwhelmingly effective, with just one contract termination since deployment began. In this presentation, Susan will demonstrate the lessons learnt from both sides of the coin:

- Motivating Black Belts to achieve a leadership role
- Evaluating the tools and knowledge gained through Six Sigma projects and applying them to leadership strategies
- Adapting structures from your partners

Susan McGann, Master Black Belt, Virtua Health

Deployment evolution: The experiences of Merrill Lynch
Merrill Lynch, one of the most respected financial institutions in the world, is keenly focused on optimizing value for its clients, employees and shareholders. Six Sigma has been an important tool for many of its business leaders in this pursuit. This presentation will utilize case studies to illustrate the fundamentals of Merrill Lynch’s approach to using the methodology. Attention will also be given to how the deployment has changed as the needs of the organization for Six Sigma have developed.

- Adapting the methodology over time to meet the needs of a financial services company
- Changing training programs to meet organizational goals
- Understanding the overall benefits of deployment and individual project efforts

Rainer Rogers, Vice President, Deployment Manager, Master Black Belt, Merrill Lynch

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- Broker stakeholder relationships
- Pursue cross-functional collaboration
- Navigate complex problem solving with definitive cost and quality outcomes

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