Touring Tech – Manufacturers Find Value
When They See What ISU Can Do

Northern Iowa is no stranger to CIRAS, but he wasn’t fully aware of all the resources and services CIRAS provided until a new Iowa State University faculty member told him about CIRAS’ Industrial Research Assistance Program (IRAP). The program included a personal tour of campus research labs, a presentation from the ISU business incubator, and an one-on-one discussion with the ISU Small Business Development Center.

MEP Best Practices Conference: Lessons Learned

City Manager, Fort Dodge, David Fierke still remembers the 30-minute demonstration he received at Iowa State University’s MEP National Network Conference in September 2017. In just a few minutes, David and the Campbell Scientific team demonstrated a new way to manage data from weather stations.

FTD Finds Efficiency, Better Service Through Lean

During the Iowa Small Business Development Center’s annual Lean conference and training in November 2017, one of the sessions from local best practices expert was on Lean manufacturing.

Scouting Helps VT

When they see what ISU can do you may think it’s because of the success of the university’s research labs. But there’s also another reason why companies choose ISU for their research needs. The ISU CIRAS Tech Scouting team is working with companies to help them identify new products and services that can help solve their unique challenges.

CIRAS Honored for “Achievement in Economic Development”

CIRAS Director Ron Cox was honored at ISU’s Gold Medallion Awards ceremony last week for his work in helping Iowa businesses and communities grow and thrive.

Upcoming Conferences, Trainings, and Workshops

The Center for Industrial Research and Service (CIRAS) wants to make it easy for you to find the training you need. Whether you’re a manufacturer, retailer, or service provider, there’s a CIRAS event that can help you.

Scuba for Managers

CIRAS hopes to increase the awareness of CIRAS’ work and resources among Iowa’s small businesses by presenting a series of webinars during the next few months. In this webinar, David O’Donnell, CIRAS' Business Development Manager, will provide information on the services CIRAS offers and how they can help Iowa businesses and communities grow and succeed.

CIRAS Tech Scouting Helps VT Industries Open New Doors

With the help of CIRAS, VT Industries is expanding its manufacturing footprint in Iowa. The company recently opened a new facility in the Des Moines metro area and is looking to hire more than 100 people in the next year.

Find out more and join us on a Lab Tour!

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