

CONFERENCE ITINERARY

Friday, Feb. 20			
Start	End	Description	Location
3:00	5:00	Registration & Check in	Madren Conference Center & Inn Master's Club at Memorial Stadium
5:35	5:45	Welcome & Opening Remarks	
5:45	6:00	Leadership Showcase 1	
6:00	6:45	Dinner	
6:45	7:15	Leadership Showcases 2, 3, & 4	
7:15	7:45	Dessert Social	
7:50	8:05	Leadership Showcase 5	
8:10	8:15	Closing Remarks	
Saturday, Feb. 21			
Start	End	Description	Location
9:00	9:15	Opening Remarks	Owen Pavilion at Madren Center
9:20	10:00	Breakfast & IISE Presentation	
10:00	10:15	Break	
10:15	11:15	Technical Paper Competition	
11:15	11:30	Break	
11:30	12:10	Lunch	
12:15	12:45	Keynote Speaker 1	
12:45	1:30	Break / Networking	
1:35	2:00	Drive to Barnes Center	
2:00	4:00	Career Fair	
4:00	6:00	Break / Optional Activity	Clemson Campus Barnes Center
6:30	7:00	Awards Dinner	
7:00	7:15	Break	
7:15	8:00	Keynote Speaker 2	
Sunday, Feb. 22			
Start	End	Description	Location
9:00	10:00	Breakfast & Region business meeting	Freeman Hall - Room 128

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MEET OUR SPEAKERS

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5:30 PM - 8 PM

Leadership Showcase

Enjoy our presentation of five Clemson leaders with Industrial Engineering backgrounds, highlighting why IEs excel in leadership roles.

- **Jim Clements, PhD** — Former President of Clemson University
- **J. Cole Smith, PhD** — Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, Clemson University
- **Anand K. Gramopadhye, PhD** — Dean, College of Engineering, Computing and Applied Sciences, Clemson University
- **Brian Voss** — Vice President and Chief Information Officer, Clemson University
- **Deb Conklin, MBA** — President & CEO at KeHE and Chairman of the Clemson Alumni Association Board of Directors

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12 PM - 12:45 PM

Gopi Dandamudi, MD, MBA

Dr. Dandamudi, is a purpose-driven physician executive, President of the Heart & Vascular Institute at Prisma Health, and an adjunct professor in Clemson IE. His career reflects the impact of IE principles in healthcare leadership.

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Kevin Yates, CEO of Trulite Glass and Aluminum

Kevin is an accomplished industrial engineering leader and Clemson IE alumnus. His career reflects the impact of IE principles at the highest levels of organizational leadership.