This meeting will feature an open format for sharing information pertinent inventors and entrepreneurs with new products in development.

We would love to hear about your invention milestones and successes in the "What's New" portion of our meeting. We are also taking submissions for those of you who would like to participate in an Inventor Spotlight to be featured at a future meeting.

The meeting will also feature our "What's Needed" section when you can make requests of what help or advice you need to move forward with your product development.

A tour of the Maketory will be provided so inventors can see what facilities and equipment are available to help them with their product development. They offer private office suites, private work studios, on-site storage for materials and supplies, free Wi-Fi and free parking. The ground floor of the facility contains a wood shop, metal shop, welding area, prototype/assembly area, 34 private work studios, and a blacksmith shop outside the back of the building. The second floor has both a small and large conference room, an open space for meetings or training sessions, and private offices.

We will also provide the latest update on legislation proposed in Congress that affects inventors' rights and patents. As you know, these rights have been significantly destroyed by the <u>America Invents Act of 2011</u> and the political and social influence of Big Tech (see <a href="https://usinventor.org/the-loss-of-inventor-rights-a-concise-description-2/">https://usinventor.org/the-loss-of-inventor-rights-a-concise-description-2/</a>).

US Inventor is the only group fighting to restore the rights of inventors and startups, and SDIF is one of the many inventor groups supporting the work of US Inventor. If you haven't already signed the Inventor rights Resolution, go here

US Inventor First Annual Conference: Celebrating 10 Years:

Date: October 19-21, 2023

Location: USPTO Madison Building 600 Dulany Street, Alexandria, VA

There are over twenty confirmed speakers, and the plan is to bring you an event full of presentations, panel discussions, and plenty of networking opportunities.

The tickets include access to all presentations, discussions, and informative opportunities, as well as access to event receptions, breakfasts, and dinner. The full agenda will be released soon!

More Details and Register: <u>www.usinventor.org/usi-conference</u>

Where to Stay: US Inventor has reserved a limited number of rooms at the Holiday Inn Alexandria-Carlyle Location. Attendees can reserve a room at a discounted rate. Rooms are reserved on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please use this link to Reserve your Room. Please note that the Dinner and Awards Ceremony will take place at this Holiday Inn location. The Holiday Inn is only a few blocks away from the USPTO Madison Building, and there is a Metro nearby for transportation.

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