



From the Managing Director.....

AI Collaborative Program Applications

Applications are now open for our 5-week Generative AI Fundamentals program for small businesses. Learn to implement practical AI solutions with expert guidance and develop your personalized AI roadmap. No technical background needed! For more details, [click here](#).

LinkedIn Badges

Enhance your professional profile by adding Innovation DuPage to LinkedIn!

- Members can add "Innovation DuPage Member" under the "Experience" tab.
- Mentors can showcase their contributions under "Volunteering."
- Owner-2-CEO Program graduates can add their achievement under "Licenses & Certifications."

Updating your profile helps tell your unique entrepreneurship journey while connecting with our dynamic ID community.

Much Appreciated

Thank you to Adam Hodge from Farr and Swit and Justin Mayer, our Strategic Technology Advisor, for their presentations at our recent meetup. Adam shared his company's affordable watches and clothing, commitment to customer care, and generous community initiatives. [Explore his collection online!](#) Justin delivered valuable tech insights for businesses of all sizes and is ready to help you find the right digital solutions for your company.

Connect with Clean Tech Leaders on CTLR's New Slack Channel

The Cleantech Leaders Roundtable (CTLR) has launched an exclusive Slack channel that's already connecting over 50 industry leaders. If you work in the clean tech industry, this is your opportunity to join this growing professional community.

The platform offers a valuable space to network with peers, share insights, and stay updated on the latest industry developments. Take advantage of this new resource to expand your connections in the clean technology sector. Contact [Dan Facchini](#) to learn more.

Coming up:

- **Member Meetup, 04.02:** Mark your calendars for our upcoming Member Meetup featuring Giuseppe Veneziano, Small Business Relationship Manager at Old National Bank, as our Member Resource. Stay tuned for additional details!
- **ID Workshop: Exploring the AI Landscape with Microsoft Chicago, 04.08:** Innovation DuPage members are invited to join a special training session on April 8 at 2:00 p.m. at College of DuPage (SRC 3032) with Nisaini Rexach, Microsoft Chicago's Head of Community Engagement. This session will explore AI's impact on the workplace, prompt engineering best practices, and practical strategies using Microsoft Copilot. [Register today](#) to secure your spot!
- **WGN Radio, Your Money Matters: Dr. Maureen Dunne and Scott Filer, 04.16:** Tune in to "Your Money Matters" with Jon Hansen on WGN Radio AM 720 on Wednesday, April 16 at 6:30 p.m. Dr. Maureen Dunne of Autism Angels, Dan Facchini of Innovation DuPage, and Scott Filer of ProMedix will discuss the Neurodiverse Entrepreneur Program (NDEP). Created in partnership between Autism Angels and ID, this program supports entrepreneurs with cognitive differences. Scott, a successful NDEP graduate, will share his company's PeriFRL technology that detects sepsis in seconds. Don't miss this discussion on entrepreneurship and inclusion.
- **ID Workshop: Emotional Intelligence for Entrepreneurs, 04.23:** Join ID Member and Owner-2-CEO graduate Jules Wilhelm on April 23 at 5:30 p.m. to discover how Emotional Intelligence can transform your business. Learn one actionable EQ skill to implement immediately, understand how EQ training increases productivity by 20% and profitability by 40%, and benefit from Jules' nearly 30 years of leadership development expertise. [Register now](#) to develop this crucial skill for business success!

Sign up to present at an upcoming Member Meetup

Showcase your business at a Member Meetup! We're looking for members to present as our Member Spotlight, ID Member Resource, or host a Problem Solving session. This is your chance to present your work, share your achievements, and connect with fellow entrepreneurs. Sign up [here](#).

Let us help you share your success with the ID community!

Share a win from this week – big or small. It could be featured in our next letter! Email your accomplishment to [Hannah Macey](#).

Reminder: Innovation DuPage is open for members as a coworking space 24 hours a day, 7 days a week!

Many thanks, and have a great week,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Dan Facchini".

Dan Facchini,
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