Manufacturing’s Top Award Comes to Georgia

Georgia Tech’s Enterprise Innovation Institute was recently chosen as the host for the Georgia Shingo Prize for Excellence in Manufacturing by the North American Shingo Prize Board of Governors. The Shingo Prize, which Business Week has called the Nobel Prize of Manufacturing, goes to manufacturers who best exhibit lean manufacturing practices.

The mission of the Georgia Shingo Prize is threefold:

- Facilitate increased awareness of excellent-to-world-class manufacturing practices and techniques that maintain and enhance a company’s competitive position in the global marketplace.
- Foster an understanding and sharing of successful core manufacturing and business improvement methodologies.
- Annually recognize companies that demonstrate excellence in manufacturing practices that translate into excellent customer satisfaction business results.

The first annual Georgia Shingo Prize Conference will be held the week of Feb. 26, 2007 in Atlanta. Enterprise Innovation Institute staff will hold Shingo Prize examiner training on October 10-11 for those interested in learning more about the Shingo criteria. For details on how you or your firm can become involved in this process, contact Tim Israel (404.894.2272; tisrael@innovate.gatech.edu). Also, look for more information about the Georgia Shingo Prize coming soon to www.innovate.gatech.edu.