Pleased to have you here at GCATT. Most forms of commerce are highly visible – ships, planes, trains and trucks; highways, rail lines, airports. But the infrastructure of advanced communications/e-commerce is largely invisible. This building is an icon for Atlanta’s effort to position ourselves as a world leader. (3 gigapop sites close to here)

Georgia Tech was created in 1885 with a mission of helping to move the state’s economy from agricultural to industrial. Today we are helping Georgia move to the next era – technological. Work closely with industry in 3 ways:

1. Educating the workforce a high-tech economy demands
2. Conducting the research that puts high-tech industry on the leading edge (4th in nation in industry-sponsored research)
3. Nurturing new start-ups (ATDC)

Also know that today all industry needs advanced technology to compete. GTRI and EDI serve existing industry.

In Atlanta and Midtown: help stimulate renaissance; make Midtown a high-tech center; improve quality of neighborhoods around us.

Proud to be partner with Chamber in that effort.