

Board Members Elected at Recent Joint Council Meeting

The three ECIA councils (Distributor, Manufacturer and Independent Manufacturer Representative) met in Savannah for the organization's semi-annual Joint Council Session. New council positions were filled and the ECIA Board of Directors elected three new members:

- Mark Shiring, President & CEO of ebm-papst, Inc.
- Chris Wadsworth, General Manager of Carlton-Bates Company
- Karim Yasmine, Corporate Vice President, Strategic Supplier Development of Future Electronics

"We're excited to welcome Mark, Chris, and Karim to the ECIA Board and appreciate their dedication to the association," commented Bill Bradford, ECIA's President and CEO. "Their great spirit of collaboration will no doubt enhance the direction of ECIA as we head into 2020."

The Trust Bridge Expands Offerings to ECIA Members

Thanks to the ECIA partnership with The Trust Bridge, members now have access to a variety of resources aimed at mitigating company risks in the data privacy arena.

The next webinar in the series is set for October 18th at 11:00 a.m. eastern. "[Data Privacy By Design](#)" will delve into the importance of an organization-wide approach to data protection policies.

In addition to the well received webinar series, The Trust Bridge is offering ECIA members a discount on advanced online training courses which have been accredited by the global independent certification body, Cepas Bureau Veritas. Visit their [learning_portal](#) and use the code: ECIA19 to review available courses.

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Upcoming Events

Wednesday Oct 9

- [Fall 2019 Engineering Summit](#)

Friday Oct 18

- [Data Privacy by Design](#)

Sunday Oct 20 - Tuesday Oct 22

- [Executive Conference](#)

Weekly Economic Trends National Association of Manufacturers

By special agreement ECIA is pleased to present with NAM's Chief Economist Chad Moutray's weekly analysis of key U.S. government economic data and manufacturing industry trends in the [NAM September 30 Economic Report](#).

An additional offering includes a complimentary 30 minute consultation to review your company practices. Contact [The Trust Bridge](#) directly for more details.

ECIA Foundation Eric Max Memorial Fund Presents Donation



The ECIA Foundation had the distinct honor of presenting donation checks from the Eric Max Memorial Fund to the Grassland Middle School and the Williamson County Schools (TN) for their robotics program. The

donations will continue to fund the Max Drone club at Grassland and fully fund a competition trailer to be used by all county robotics teams. The trailer enables each school to raise team funds and add practice opportunities by hosting competitions.

The Eric Max Memorial Fund honors the memory of this long-time industry leader. Eric served on the ECIA and NEDA Board of Directors for many years. Through the generosity of the Genie Group and ECIA members and the Max family, his legacy of giving back and inspiring the next generation lives on. We can't wait to see "Max" the trailer and follow its journey across Tennessee and beyond!

Did You Know? Access Training and Recruiting Resources

Visit the ECIA website to access a number of resources and tips for [training](#) and [recruiting](#) talent. Through our membership in the Association Education Alliance (AEA), ECIA members can take advantage of discounts on the University of Innovative Distribution and other sales training opportunities.

