



Innovation Has Its Place



OVERVIEW: No matter what its size, a community needs a gathering place. For Greater Philadelphia's entrepreneurial ecosystem, that place is Quorum. Quorum is a Science Center initiative that unites the region's entrepreneurship and innovation communities through a central, neutral gathering space at 3711 Market Street and related programs throughout the region. Quorum will strengthen the region's culture of technology-based economic development by offering programs and facilitating connections between entrepreneurs, innovators, funders and resource organizations with the ultimate goal of innovation, company formation and job creation.

QUORUM GENESIS: Quorum addresses a need highlighted in the CEO Council for Growth's 2007 Accelerating Technology Transfer study, which recommended the creation of a venue "to serve as the 'clubhouse' for innovation in the region and provide programming to attract researchers, entrepreneurs and investors to the venue."



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THE PHYSICAL QUORUM SPACE is located on the Science Center campus at 3711 Market Street. Satellite Quorum offers Science Center-supported programming at diverse venues across the region. iQuorum integrates online networking tools such as Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter.

QUORUM USERS include entrepreneurs, innovators, scientists, researchers, investors and resource organizations.

ONSITE PROGRAMMING includes Lunch for Hungry Minds (scientific presentations), Smart Talk (business-building advice), Access2Capital and grant workshops, medical device seminars and programming to engage VCs and investors with Quorum. University City Keystone Innovation Zone (UCKIZ) programming is now aligned under the Quorum umbrella. To avoid the duplication of existing programming, regional and strategic partners are encouraged to present programming at Quorum.

EVENT SPACE: Quorum will be made available to organizations that share the Science Center's mission of supporting technology commercialization, innovation and entrepreneurship. Examples include: Deloitte Fast 50, Health Innovation Partnership, and Wharton Venture Initiation Program receptions.

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