

## TiE Detroit Announces Doug Neal as co-chair of TiECon Midwest 2016

Doug Neal will be co-chair at Ignite2Disrupt.

FARMINGTON HILLS , MICHIGAN, U.S., September 19, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Detroit chapter of TiE, largest nonprofit entrepreneurial organization, announced Doug Neal as the co-chair for <u>TiECon Midwest 2016</u>, Michigan's largest conference to be held October 27 and 28, 2016 at The Henry, Dearborn. The announcement was made by <u>TiE Detroit</u> President, Tel Ganesan.

"We are pleased to announce Doug Neal as the co-chair of TiECon Midwest 2016. Doug has been very instrumental in securing many speakers for mobility, and is now actively involved in consolidating several tracks, such as: digital health (startups), global connectivity, judges, outreach and grand keynote speakers. He has been a great asset to TiE, and



we are confident with his efforts and new role he will take this conference to the next level, " said Tel Ganesan, President TiE Detroit

Doug Neal is the co-founder and Managing Director of Michigan eLab. His investment experience is supported by 25 years of technology industry experience including the founding of four technology companies. He is currently on the board of Blue Medora and Akadeum and has co-led investments in Sight Machine, Rachio and Clarity Lab. Doug is the Chair of the Michigan Venture Capital Association Talent Committee, and has been an investment reviewer for the First Step Fund, the Michigan Pre-Seed Fund and Pre-Seed Fund 2.0. Doug is also a mentor at the University of Michigan TechArb and the Desai Accelerators as well as a member of the University of Michigan's Venture Center Advisory Board.

"I'm honored to accept the invitation to co-chair the TiE MidWest 2016 conference! eLab Ventures has been a strong supporter of TiE for a number of years and we are excited to see the growth of TiE Detroit and the tremendous impact it will have on the MidWest entrepreneurial ecosystem", said Doug Neal.

TiECon Midwest 2016 will bring together TiE members, entrepreneurs, venture capitalists, top industry executives and thought leaders in two action-packed days. TiECon Midwest provides a

unique opportunity to exchange ideas, explore new businesses, discuss emerging technologies, share growth strategies and obtain insight from global business leaders, community leaders and worldwide experts. The conference will also host "TiE20", which will showcase the most promising 20 start-up companies across TiECon Midwest's five focus segments: IOT/ Sensors, Fintech, Transportation / Mobility, Health / Fitness and Manufacturing Devices/ Augmented Reality / Artificial Intelligence.

Online registration and more information are immediately available for TiECon Midwest 2016 at <u>www.tieconmidwest.org</u>. For more information about the conference, please contact Sarah Myrand, TiE Detroit (248) 254-4043 or via e-mail at sarahm@kyyba.com

## About TiECon Midwest 2016

TiECon Midwest 2016 is Michigan's largest entrepreneurial conference, attracting hundreds of entrepreneurs, venture capitalists and other professionals. This year's theme is Ignite2Disrupt. Connected World. Connected Technologies. Our three main tracks will focus on Connected Mobility, Connected Health and Global Connectivity. This year's TiECon Midwest is being held on Oct 27-28, 2016 at "The Henry", Dearborn. For more information, visit <u>http://www.tieconmidwest.org/</u>

## About TiE

TiE is a global, not-for-profit, non-political, and non-religious organization dedicated to fostering entrepreneurs across its international network sponsored by top Venture Capital Firms, and Fortune 500 corporations; spread across 61 chapters in 18 countries comprising 2500 experienced entrepreneurs and business executives as charter members, 13000 aspiring entrepreneurs and professionals as members. TiE has grown to become the world's largest non-profit organization for entrepreneurs. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.detroit.tie.org/">http://www.detroit.tie.org/</a>

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