



**Colorado Business Incubation Association**  
... promoting entrepreneurship throughout Colorado

## **Summer Conference 2010**

### *“Enhancing the Power of Colorado's Entrepreneurial Support Network Through Collaboration”*

**Friday, June 4, 2010**

Forest City-Stapleton  
7300 East 29th Avenue  
Denver, CO 80238-2699

#### **Conference Program**

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| <b>8:30 – 9:00 a.m.</b>   | <b>Registration and Networking Continental Breakfast</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>9:00 – 10:00 a.m.</b>  | <b>Economic Gardening</b><br><i>Chris Reddin, Executive Director; Grand Junction Business Incubator</i><br>Creating an entrepreneurial ecosystem in your community builds support for entrepreneurs beyond the start-up phase. This workshop explores economic gardening, an entrepreneur-centered growth strategy for supporting second-stage companies by providing information, networking opportunities and infrastructure.                                              |
| <b>10:00 – 11:00 a.m.</b> | <b>Entrepreneur Education Programs</b><br><i>Mark Forsyth, CEO; Rocky Mountain Innovation Initiative</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>11:00 – 12:00 p.m.</b> | <b>Creating a Statewide Dialogue</b><br><i>Conference Participants</i><br>Entrepreneurism is critical to our economy. How can we create more areas of collaboration and resources for incubators? There is an array of programs and opportunities that can be tapped into. This session will allow conference participants and invited guests to provide updates on their programs and to share ideas, providing participants insight to resources they may not be aware of. |
| <b>12:00 – 1:00 p.m.</b>  | <b>Networking Lunch</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>1:00 – 2:00 p.m.</b>   | <b>Access to Capital for Entrepreneurs</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>2:00 – 3:00 p.m.</b>   | <b>Roundtable Discussion – Issues in Incubation</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>3:00 – 4:30 p.m.</b>   | <b>Business Incubator Tour – Denver Venture Center Incubator</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

Tour one of Colorado's most successful business incubators. The Denver Venture Center is home to both CTEK Stapleton and the CleanLaunch Technology Incubator. CleanLaunch's mission is to stimulate the development and success of early-stage companies who will provide the next generation of clean, renewable, and efficient energy technologies.

**4:30 - 5:30 p.m.**

**Networking Reception**

Immediately following the incubator tour join us for a networking reception. Stay and enjoy appetizers and refreshment while mingling with other conference participants and presenters.

**For those of you who are operating or planning to operate an incubator program - be sure to join us for a Pre-Conference Session the day before the Conference on Thursday afternoon, June 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

***Pre-Conference Session      Thursday, June 3, 2010      1:00 - 4:00 p.m.***

**BUSINESS INCUBATION 101    Presented by Thea Chase, President of CBIA**

This session will provide an overview of the best practices in business incubation, including types of business incubation programs and their economic impact, the importance and components of feasibility studies, client selection, services and graduation. This program is extremely valuable for all those who are operating or planning an incubator program!

**Pre-Registration is required**

**Conference Fees:**

**1-Day Conference Rate (Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup> Only)**

\$50 for CBIA members

\$65 for non-CBIA members by

\$60 at door for CBIA members

\$75 at door for non-CBIA members

**2- Day Conference Rate (includes both Thursday and Friday programs)**

\$65 for CBIA members

\$80 for non-CBIA members

\$75 at the door for CBIA members

\$90 at the door for non-CBIA members