

# LabDesign CONFERENCE

## Acquisition Ensures the Return of the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Lab Design Conference in May 2020

**September 24, 2019, Penns Park, PA** – The Lab Design Conference, the leading business conference and exhibition serving professionals in the design, build, construction, retrofit, and management of state-of-the-art laboratories, will return for its 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, May 4-5, 2020 in downtown New Orleans. This two-day event, plus an optional third day of lab tours, attracts hundreds of architects, engineers, lab planners, facility designers, and construction professionals for in-depth educational programming and continuing education credit.

Continuity Exchange LLC announced the acquisition of the Lab Design Conference from its previous owners, Advantage Business Media, to expand its current offerings in live business-to-business meetings and events. Leading the management team for the new Lab Design Conference are former Advantage Business Media executives Don Grennan and Robert Nakao, both with more than 30 years each of experience in business media.

“We are extremely excited about continuing the legacy of the Lab Design Conference and meeting the demands of today’s lab design/build challenges,” said Don Grennan, managing director of the Lab Design Conference. Grennan was a member of the management team that launched the Lab Design Conference more than 20 years ago. Nakao previously managed the Lab Design Conference through 2016.

The conference program and faculty are widely recognized for its subject matter expertise across a wide range of disciplines. Areas of discussion include best practices, Lab Design, Engineering, Market Trends, Sustainability, Project Management, Collaboration, Construction, and more. Attendees will also have the opportunity to tour the exhibit hall and meet with a host of industry experts who will be showcasing the latest products, developments, technologies, and process improvements. On the final day of the event, optional tours of local laboratories will be available to interested participants.

The Call for Presentations for the 2020 conference program is currently open. Interested parties can visit the current website [www.LabDesignConference.com](http://www.LabDesignConference.com) for more information. Additional information on exhibiting, sponsorships, attendance, travel, and more will be available in the coming weeks.

The management team has also announced that it will continue to recognize excellence in laboratory design, materials, and construction through the Laboratory of the Year awards. The awards identify the most significant new design, building, and renovation trends annually.

**About the Lab Design Conference**

The Lab Design Conference addresses researchers' needs for information, education, and design specifications as their firms expand their R&D activities through laboratory expansion, construction, and capital equipment purchases. Held each spring, the Conference is a dynamic educational and networking event for those involved in planning, designing, engineering, constructing, and operating laboratory facilities. Meeting sessions feature recognized experts delivering unique presentations on trends in creating the most efficient, state-of-the-art facilities.

Scheduled simultaneously with the Conference, the Laboratory Design Exhibition allows attendees to learn about companies offering relevant products and services to the laboratory design industry. Social gatherings provide plenty of opportunity for relaxation and networking. Tours of exemplary lab facilities, including those to which attendees would not otherwise have access, are an integral part of the overall Lab Design experience.

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