

Join the SWPA AR Working Group - we meet on a quarterly basis to promote the exploration & adoption of robotics and automation at small and mid-sized manufacturers in our region!

SWPA Advanced Robotics (AR) Working Group Charter

The purpose of the AR Working Group is to promote the exploration and adoption of robotics and automation at small and mid-sized manufacturers (SMM) within the Southwestern Pennsylvania Region. The Working Group will provide members with an opportunity for information sharing to help successfully evaluate AR and determine where and how their organization could benefit from its adoption. Below are additional intended benefits for participants:

- Participate in learning from experts in the field
- Awareness of relevant events and training opportunities in the region
- Share and learn from mutual challenges and exchange best practices
- Build professional relationships with peers, suppliers, integrators, and academics
- Provide support in development and implantation projects

Communication Mechanisms

- Community Portal – private online portal with discussion board, meeting communications, meeting notes, pilot requests
- Digital Bridge Industry 4.0 Newsletter (issued quarterly)– technology & industry updates, pilot requests, best practices and lessons learned, case studies, upcoming industry events
- Catalyst Connection Website – meeting announcements, meeting registration - **visit our [Upcoming Events section](#) on our website for upcoming scheduled meetings**
- Face-to-face Meetings – the Working Group meets quarterly at Catalyst Connection, as well as different venues to allow members to view the equipment and capabilities of different facilities & organizations

Participation

As a member of the Working Group, you will help Catalyst Connection:

- Define common AR interests and needs of the manufacturing community
- Participate in Catalyst pilots as new tools, assessments and training materials are developed
- Provide feedback and insights to help us determine what works and what doesn't when it comes to AR evaluation and adoption by manufacturers

How to Join the AR Working Group

There is no cost to join the Working Group. Please contact Matt Minner with your desire to join! mminner@catalystconnection.org or 412-918-4278