

### ***Highlights from the 2009 IAC Student Meeting***

The 2009 IAC Student Meeting was held at the L'Enfant Plaza hotel in Washington DC on February 5th and 6th. Thirty-five top IAC engineering students representing IAC centers across the U.S. attended the two-day meeting. The student leaders listened to presentations and participated in discussions addressing the IAC program's role in energy efficiency and innovation. Invited guests and speakers from the Department of Energy (DOE), Oak Ridge National Lab (ORNL) and IAC Program Administration at Rutgers University were on hand. IAC alumni and recruiters representing [Energy & Resource Solutions, Inc.](#), [Oak Ridge National Lab \(ORNL\)](#), [Science Applications International Corporation \(SAIC\)](#) [Nenni and Associates](#), [NORESO](#) and [Johnson Controls](#) were also present to discuss different career opportunities available for IAC engineers.

The first day opened with a presentation from Michaela Martin, Student Activities Coordinator about the history and status of the IAC. Jim Quinn, DOE Industrial Technologies Program Technology Delivery Team Leader followed with a discussion of the Industrial Technologies Program, the Save Energy Now Initiative and the Industrial Assessment Centers' role in supporting this important initiative. The students were then briefed by Don Kasten and Mike B. Muller from The IAC Field Managers Office at Rutgers discussed the IAC database and field management issues. The floor was then turned over to Robert Adler and Tom Lorenz who reviewed the Manufacturing Energy Consumption Survey (MECS). The afternoon session welcomed Pew Center Senior Fellow Heather Holsinger and an overview of US climate policy as well as Anna Shipley from Sentech who spoke about CHP. The Alliance to Save Energy's Brian Castelli briefed the students on Energy Efficiency Policy Prospects and the first of four student presentations was given. The final event of the day was a group dinner at Old Ebbitt Grill, one of Washington DC's premier dining establishments. The students were able to share ideas and views while enjoying the history of this 150 year old restaurant.

The second day brought more student presentations and a discussion about the new generation for energy efficiency by Brian Wright with Smart Power. During lunch on Friday, Syracuse students Ross DiLiegro, Brandon Peery and Wade Willatt were awarded a Fluke infrared thermometer as their discussion of "Automation of Report Formatting and Production" was voted best student presentation. Presentations can be viewed in their entirety at the IAC website located at [www.iacforum.org](http://www.iacforum.org).