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Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology Awarded 2022 Connecticut Medal of Technology

CCAT is honored for its contributions in applied technologies and workforce initiatives that strengthen the global competitiveness of the manufacturing ecosystem

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Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology (CCAT) has been selected, along with Dr. Craig Crews at Yale University, as a 2022 recipient of the Connecticut Medal of Technology: the state’s highest honor for technological achievement in fields crucial to Connecticut’s economic competitiveness.



CCAT is awarded the Connecticut Medal of Technology for its leadership of regional and national partnerships that assist the industrial base with the advancement of applied technologies and workforce initiatives to strengthen the global competitiveness of the manufacturing ecosystem in Connecticut.

CCAT, a non-profit incorporated in 2004, is a dynamic and innovative applied technology organization dedicated to assisting the manufacturing ecosystem with development, prototyping, demonstration of leading-edge technologies and advancement of technology readiness levels. CCAT convenes industry around model-based engineering, Industry 4.0 and digital technologies, additive manufacturing, advanced composites, and renewable energy. CCAT’s industry-led approach and delivery of transformative solutions enables manufacturing and technology companies to improve the critical KPIs required to remain a profitable industry leader.

Leveraging its Advanced Technology Centers, CCAT further expands its technology capabilities through public-private partnerships with national consortia, industry associations, manufacturing institutes, global industrial companies, small to medium-sized enterprises, and academia.

“Dr. Crews and CCAT are proof yet again of our state’s incredible science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and medical talent and resources. The awarding of these medals is a positive and gratifying reminder that even though our state is small demographically and geographically, we are a significant force as a global technology leader propelled by our research community, companies, skilled workforce, and a laser focus on accelerating long-lasting and equitable economic development in Connecticut,” **Governor Ned Lamont** said. “On behalf of the entire state, I want to thank Professor Crews and Ron Angelo and his team at CCAT for helping to make Connecticut the great state we know it is — and congratulate them both on receiving Connecticut’s highest honor for technological achievement.”

An invaluable resource to the state, CCAT's leadership in creating and administrating programs on the State and federal level has been a major multiplier for the Connecticut economy. Examples include: leveraging stimulus capital through matching grant voucher programs provided by the Manufacturing Innovation Fund; accelerating digital transformation through the Connecticut Defense Manufacturing Community Consortium's Digital Model Initiative program; upskilling the manufacturing workforce and identifying the next generation of talent from underserved communities which have been supported by the National Fund for Workforce Solutions, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, the Deloitte Foundation and other private entities.

“Contributing to the economic, environmental, and social well-being of Connecticut through technology adoption, workforce development and energy initiatives is at the heart of what we do. Transforming the manufacturing ecosystem and the lives of our citizens is our continuous mission and we are humbled by this honor. This award is representative of the passion and dedication of the entire CCAT team and the businesses and people who make our communities,” said **Ron Angelo, President and CEO of CCAT.**

The Connecticut Medal of Technology is awarded to individuals, teams, and companies/non-profits or divisions of companies/non-profits for their outstanding contributions to the economic, environmental, and social well-being of Connecticut and the nation through the promotion of technology, technological innovation, or the development of the technological workforce. By highlighting the importance of technological innovation, the Medal also seeks to inspire future generations to prepare for and pursue technical careers to keep Connecticut and the nation at the forefront of global technology and economic leadership. Modeled after the National Medal of Technology and Innovation, this award is bestowed by the state of Connecticut by the direction of the Office of the Governor, with the assistance of the Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering, in alternate years with the Connecticut Medal of Science.

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