

Manufacturing Sustainability Superheroes!

Panelist Biographies



Jerrika Rice
Senior Manager- Phosphates Quality
The Mosaic Company

Jerrika Rice manages the customer interface for product quality concerns, production facility monitoring and improvement of quality, assurance labs, and the development of new technologies and processes within the phosphates business unit at. Ms. Rice graduated from University of South Florida with her bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering before working at Mosaic since 2006. She has held various management and leadership positions within Mosaic, with a focus on final fertilizer production.



Peter Cirak
Director of Quality Assurance
Seal Dynamics

Peter Cirak has an A.A. degree from HCC, and B.S. and M.S. degrees in aerospace engineering from Boston University's College of Engineering. Peter has more than 18 years of experience in the aerospace industry, and is currently the Quality Assurance Director at Seal Dynamics in Tampa. Seal Dynamics develops and provides aftermarket solutions to commercial aircraft operators.



Suzanne Alvarez
Sales
C&D Printing & Packaging

Suzanne Alvarez is a Florida native who has been in the printing industry for most of her life. In 1984, Suzanne graduated from USF College of Mass Communications and, after a brief stint in marketing and advertising, joined C&D Printing and Packaging in St Petersburg. With extensive in-house capabilities, C&D is one of the largest sheet-fed print and packaging producers in the Tampa Bay area.



Patti Gander
Executive Director
Manufacturing and Supply Chain Alliance

Patti Gander has over 35 years of experience working in the manufacturing industry serving in several leadership positions. Ms. Gander currently serves as the Executive Director for the Manufacturing and Supply Chain Alliance (MSCA) as well as the Business Advisor for FloridaMakes. In this dual role, her responsibilities are to reach out to the manufacturing community in the mid Florida region to help them improve their operations.