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David J. Sutton, CAE, JD
*Executive Director and
General Counsel*

Dear Members and Industry Colleagues:

Our distinguished panel of eight judges met in a hybrid format on September 13th at the iconic TWA hotel at JFK airport to review the eleven finalists in the 2021 SEFA Lab of the Year Competition. We are pleased to announce that the **Harvard University Science and Engineering Complex** was selected as the 2021 SEFA Lab of the Year. The judges also awarded two Special Mentions -- **The Phil and Penny Knight Campus for Accelerating Scientific Impact at University of Oregon** for an inspiring creative design that realizes the client's goals and program objectives; and **Cedars-Sinai Medical Center Biomanufacturing Center** for a technically challenging adaptive re-use project. Attached are photos of these projects including the teams involved in these award-winning buildings. Congratulations to our SEFA members involved in these projects!

At SEFA's upcoming 32nd Annual Meeting (Nov. 3-5) we will be celebrating and honoring the Lab of the Year winners. Attached is our Agenda and Attendee list. We have a record number of members registered to attend including many from overseas. If you haven't already done so, [please make your reservations at the Westin Hotel](#) before the **October 12th deadline**. We have already exceeded our room block for this event and the hotel may not continue to reserve rooms at our very favorable \$209 SEFA room rate since the published Marriott Bonvoy rate is now \$437/night.

Lastly, attached for your review are the Notice of Annual Meeting and Nominating Committee Report. The Board is proposing various changes to SEFA's By-Laws, which are attached to the Notice of Annual Meeting. We have also included an Executive Summary which should make it easier to understand the context under which these By-Law changes are being proposed.

Please contact me if you have any questions or comments. We look forward to seeing all of you in Fort Lauderdale next month.

Until then, stay safe!

David J. Sutton

Executive Director and General Counsel

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Congratulations to the project team:

Project Architect - **Robert Matthew Noblett, Behnisch Architekten, Boston**
 Lab Planner - **Josh Meyer, Jacobs Laboratory Planning Group, Tarrytown, NY**
 MEP /Fire Protection - **van Zelm Heywood & Shadford, Inc.**
 Structural Engineering - **Buro Happold Consulting Engineers P.C.,**
 General Contractor - **Turner Construction Company**
 Fume Hoods and Casework – **Mott Manufacturing**
 Work Surfaces – **DURCON**
 Laboratory Fixtures – **WaterSaver Faucet**

We would like to thank our outstanding panel of Judges:

Co-Chairs : **Leslie Ashor - HOK** and **Brian Richard - Kirksey Architecture**

Victor Cardona - VJ Cardona Consulting
Abbie Gregg - AM Technical Solutions
Tom Sonk - Newmark Knight Frank

T.H. Chang - T.H. Chang Consulting
Tim O'Connor - The Rockefeller University
Daniel Wentzlaff - NW Architekten

This panel went above and beyond in not only judging the competition, but redefining the submission and judging criteria for the SEFA Lab of the Year.

**Make plans to join us in Fort Lauderdale (November 3-5, 2021) for
 SEFA's 32nd Annual Meeting, to hear about this unique project first hand!
 For additional information visit us at sefalabs.com**

The 2021 SEFA Lab of the Year Judging Panel honors the
Phil and Penny Knight Campus for Accelerating
Scientific Impact at University of Oregon



SPECIAL MENTION

*... an inspiring, creative
design that realizes the
client's goals and their
program objectives.*

Congratulations to the project team:

Design Architect - **Todd Schliemann** and **Jarrett Pelletier**, **Ennead Architects LLP**, New York City
Architect-of-Record - **Bora Architecture + Interiors** - **John O'Toole**
Lab Planner - **Scott Lindner**, **Jacobs**, Dallas, TX
MEP / Lighting - **Affiliated Engineers**
Structural Engineering - **Thornton Tomasetti Engineers**
General Contractor - **Hoffman Construction Company**
Fume Hoods and Casework - **Bedcolab**; **CIF Lab Solutions**; **Labconco**
Work Surfaces - **DURCON**
Laboratory Fixtures - **WaterSaver Faucet**
Lab Furniture and Equipment Dealer/Installer - **H²I Group**

SPECIAL MENTION

*for a technically challenging
adaptive re-use project.*

The SEFA 2021 Lab of the Year Judging Panel honors
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center Biomanufacturing Center



Congratulations to the project team:

Architect / Lab Planner - **Trip Grant** - **HDR**, Los Angeles, CA
MEP / Electrical / Plumbing - **Affiliated Engineers**
General Contractor - **Rudolph & Sletten**
Fume Hoods and Casework - **Mott**; **Labconco**;
Work Surfaces - **DURCON**
Laboratory Fixtures - **WaterSaver Faucet**; **InterDyne**;

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32nd Ann. Meeting & Trade Show

Westin Ft. Lauderdale Beach Hotel
November 3-5, 2021

Preliminary Agenda



Wednesday - November 3, 2021

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Board of Directors Meeting (Rio Vista)
2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Conference Registration - (Hotel Lobby)
5:30 PM - 8:00 PM Welcome Reception (Lona Patio South)

Thursday - November 4, 2021

7:30AM-5:00PM - Trade Show - Las Olas Ballroom

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM Breakfast - (Las Olas Ballroom)
8:00 AM - 9:30 AM Welcome /Years in Review / Committee Reports -
M. DiFonte, D. Sutton (Las Olas Ballroom)
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM SEFA -TDA Market Survey - G. Cudiamat -A. Hagopian
10:30 AM - 11:00AM Virtual Tour-2021 SEFA Lab of the Year Harvard Univ Science
and Engineering Complex - R.M. Noblett (Las Olas Ballroom)
11:10 AM - 11:30 AM Univ Of Oregon—Phil and Penny Knight Campus (Las Olas Ballrm)
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM Casework - A. Sinnamon, D. Jacobs, K. Kovash, K Dixon, W.Cathey,
B. Kelly (Las Olas Ballroom)
12:30 PM - 1:00 PM SEFA Lifetime Achievement Award - Tom Schwaller
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Lunch - (Las Olas Ballroom)
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Laminar Flow - P. Daniele, K. Dixon (Las Olas Ballroom)
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Work Surfaces - H. Von Der Bruegge, Dawn Jacobs (Rio Vista)
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM Lab Grade Seating -E Metzger, K. Schuler (Las Olas Ballroom)
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM Fixtures - T. Kjeldsen, M. Straughn - (Rio Vista)
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM Installations - R. Flocken, V. Inama (Bonnet)
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Liquid Chemical Storage - S. Kunkel (Las Olas Ballroom)
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Advisory Board / Architects / Engineers, L. Fisk, C. Klee (Rio Vista)
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM SEFA International - I Sternitzke (Rio Vista)
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Lab Flooring Committee - T. Ricciardelli (Bonnet)
6:30 PM - 9:00 PM Reception/Dinner (Las Olas Ballroom)

Friday - November 5, 2021

7:30 - 11:30 AM - Trade Show - Las Olas Ballroom

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM Breakfast - (Las Olas Ballroom)
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM Annual Meeting - M. Di Fonte, D.Sutton (Las Olas Ballroom)
9:00 AM - 9:20 AM Cedars Sinai Medical Center Biomanufacturing Center (Las Olas Ballroom)
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM Virtual Tour - Lessons learned—2020 SEFA Lab of the Year - The River Campus at
The Rockefeller University - J. Bargmann, T. O'Connor (Las Olas Ballroom)
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Fume Hood - L. Savage, A.Sinnamon (Las Olas Ballroom)
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM Lunch - (Las Olas Ballroom)

**** MEETING ADJOURNED ****

**** SEFA ANNUAL GOLF OUTING ****

11:15 AM - Buses depart for Plantation Preserve Golf Course & Club
7050 West Broward Boulevard, Plantation, FL 33317

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Westin Ft. Lauderdale Beach Hotel

321 N. Fort Lauderdale Beach Blvd, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33304

REGISTRATION DEADLINE – Monday, October 12, 2021

Complete and return this form along with registration fee to:

Scientific Equipment & Furniture Association — 65 Hilton Avenue, Garden City, NY 11530

Conference Attendance Fees:	First Member Attendee	No Charge *
	Additional Member Attendee(s)	\$ 650.00
	Non-Member Attendee(s)	\$ 825.00

*Executive and Sustaining Members have paid the registration fee for one (1) representative of your company to attend this conference. If you were an Executive or Sustaining Member as of January 1, 2020, you may register a second attendee at no charge. Please provide attendee name(s) below. For those members who are sending additional attendees, the registration fee is \$650 and may be paid by credit card or check made payable to SEFA and must accompany this form.

COMPANY NAME: _____

First Attendee: _____ **Email:** _____
Name as it will appear on badge

Second Attendee: _____ **Email:** _____
Name as it will appear on badge

Additional Attendee: _____ **Email:** _____
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Please provide an email address to enable SEFA Staff to notify you of any schedule changes while we are on site.

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TO RECEIVE OUR GROUP RATE, RESERVE YOUR ROOM BY OCTOBER 12, 2021.

The Westin Fort Lauderdale Beach Hotel —SEFA Group Rate is \$209.00 per night (resort fee waived)
321 N. Fort Lauderdale Beach Blvd, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33304 - Tel: (954) 467-1111

Reserve your room online : <https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1610574409016&key=GRP&app=resvlink>

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Member	Attendees	Member	Attendees
AT Villa	Ken Callahan	Durcon	Robert Stroescu
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		Fundermax	Dawn Jacobs
AURP	Brian Darmody		
		GCE DruVa, GmbH	Nick Wojnicz
Avantor delivered by VWR	Charlie Bacher		
	Brian Blackstock	GD Lab Solutions	Adhiraj Patel
	Gerard Escareno		
	Virginia Huffstetler	H ² I Group	Pete Caudle
	Linda Lavigne		Rusty Flocken
	Liz Loughlin		
	John Sedita	Hamilton Lab Solutions	Lisa Beimborn
	Gopi Thakker		
		HEMCO Corp	Dave Campbell
BICASA, Srl	Fabio Biffi		Chris White
	Valentino Inama		
		HOK	Leslie Ashor
Bimos Div of Interstuhl	Mark Scelfo		Randy Kray
	Lisa Barday		Tzveta Panayotova
Biofit	Jim Connell	ICI Scientific	Wayne Cathey
	Ed Metzger		
		Inter Dyne	Jack Andree
BROEN-LAB A/S	Keri McDonough		Greg Ramey
BSA Life Structures	Derek West	Jacobs Lab Planning	Kathy Machin
Cannon Design	Punit Jain	JHC Fabrication	Chris DelGrosso
	Regal Leftwich		Ken Mehta
Case Systems	Bert Bowden	Kewaunee Scientific	Jon Cichelli
			Tom Hull
Chang Consulting	T. H. Chang		Ed Kinsch
			Rodney LaBelle
CHC Lab	Wook Ho Cha		Jeremy Miller
	Jorge Santos		Ryan Noble
			Kurt Rindoks
CiF Lab Solutions	Lori MacLeod		Chris Willetts
Creative Solutions	Chip Albright	Kirksey Architects	Brian Richard
Diversified Woodcrafts	Brant Kelly	L M Air	Pete Daniele
		Denotes first time attendee	

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Labconco	Brad Kramer	VJ Cardona Consulting	Victor Cardona
	Nathan Ladd		
	Luke Savage	Waldner	Saket Rajput
Lab Crafters	Bob DeLuca Jr.	WaterSaver Faucet	Peter Kearnes
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	Scott Hegemann		Mike Straughn
LaborPlaner Tonelli A.G.	Dario Tonelli		
Mott Manufacturing	Mario DiFonte		
	Jack Marsh		
	Andy Sinnamon		
		SPEAKERS	
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OCRiver	Nathan Pilon		
		Harvard University	
Payette	Charles Klee		
		Ennead Architects	
Rafael Viñoly Architects	Jay Bargmann		
		HDR	
RFD	Lloyd Fisk		
		Labconco (Retired)	Tom Schwaller
SCAT Europe GmbH	Christian Fromm		
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	Robert Thompson		Arkady Hagopian
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	Andreas Sarezki	DURCON	Hank Von Der Bruegge
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e-Com Seating	Tracy Dahl		
InterDyne	Crystal Andree		
TMI Systems Corp	Jaylene Kovash		
	Michael Muzzy		