Keynote Speaker Lloyd J. Risser III, P.E. (PA)



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Since earning his bachelor's degree in chemical engineering at Penn State, Lloyd has played in the power and security industries for 32 years as a control systems

engineer – two years at Prototech, two years at General Electric, and 28 years at Bechtel. His past roles at Bechtel include control systems engineer, control system engineering group supervisor, and control systems assistant chief engineer. His duties as assistant chief engineer included career development for ~150 engineers, staffing projects, annual reviews, salary distribution, promotions, hiring/terminations, and college recruiting. Lloyd has reviewed thousands of resumes, interviewed hundreds of candidates, and hired dozens of engineers for both domestic and international positions while recruiting at over a dozen colleges, including seven Big Ten schools.

As a registered control system engineering professional engineer, Lloyd manages and teaches a Control System Engineering Professional Engineering Examination Preparation Course at Bechtel to help engineers build their competencies.

Lloyd is also heavily involved in the International Society of Automation (ISA) Baltimore Washington D.C. Section, serving as vice president and program manager for the past twelve years, where he arranges speakers for section meetings. He is often astonished to find that many college students have no idea about the gold mine of opportunities that can be tapped by getting involved with professional societies like the ISA.

Lloyd's international experience includes field assignments in Turkey, Egypt, Iraq, and Colombia as well as multiple business trips to England, Germany, Romania, Canada, and New Zealand. His domestic experience has taken him to over two dozen states.

Lloyd is currently on field assignment at the Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Project (BGCAPP) in Kentucky as an automation engineer. During days, he helps the project eliminate legacy chemical weapons for the federal government, and at nights and on weekends he curates a retirement-size collection of fishing equipment and musical instruments, and, inspired by Dwayne Johnson, writes his bio in the third person.