



IIT Entrepreneurship Program Hosts the Kern Entrepreneurship Education Network Conference

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The President of the [Kern Family Foundation](#) and more than 50 faculty members from colleges across the U.S. met at IIT last week to discuss entrepreneurship and engineering education.

On Saturday, October 20, the IIT Entrepreneurship Program hosted the Kern Entrepreneurship Education Network (KEEN) conference, which was held in the University Technology Park. Participating in the conference were staff from the Kern Family Foundation and more than 50 engineering faculty from universities across the U.S., including Bradley University, Case Western, Lawrence Tech, Lehigh University, Milwaukee School of Engineering, Penn State, Thunderbird School of Global Management, and Worcester Polytechnic Institute, among others. Dr. David Pistrui, IIT's Director of Entrepreneurship, served as host and delivered the luncheon keynote address.

The primary goal of KEEN is to support private engineering colleges and universities in the U.S. in creating courses and programs to develop technical leaders with the skills and entrepreneurial mindset to build economic and technical commerce in their communities. IIT was one of the first schools invited to join KEEN; it has been a member since 2005.