



Join Us for our First Event of the Section's Season



September 17th at HGST

Our Mission:

Ensure our products integrate seamlessly into customer applications through early engagement in both the development process and customer joint qualifications

HGST (formerly Hitachi Global Storage Technologies) is a new type of storage company designed for a new world in which ever-increasing amounts of content are being generated from cloud services, Internet content providers, social networks and mobile devices. HGST has an unmatched reputation for reliability and offers a broad portfolio of innovative, high quality hard disk and solid state drives that store, manage and protect the world's data. Our drives are relied on by enterprises, Internet companies, consumers and creative professionals to store and manage their data efficiently and securely.

We focus on delivering innovative customized storage solutions and high level storage infrastructure consultation to some of the world's largest and most sophisticated technology companies. We work with customers and our channel to deliver innovative enterprise, desktop, mobile computing, consumer electronics and personal storage products that deliver superior value.

Although HGST joined the Western Digital Corporation family of companies in March 2012, we continue to independently market and sell HGST products. We continue to invest in growing our business through expanded research, product roadmaps and attracting and retaining top talent to help the company achieve its business objectives. Both HGST and our parent Western Digital Corporation remain committed to preserving the unique value HGST brings to our customers and the industry.

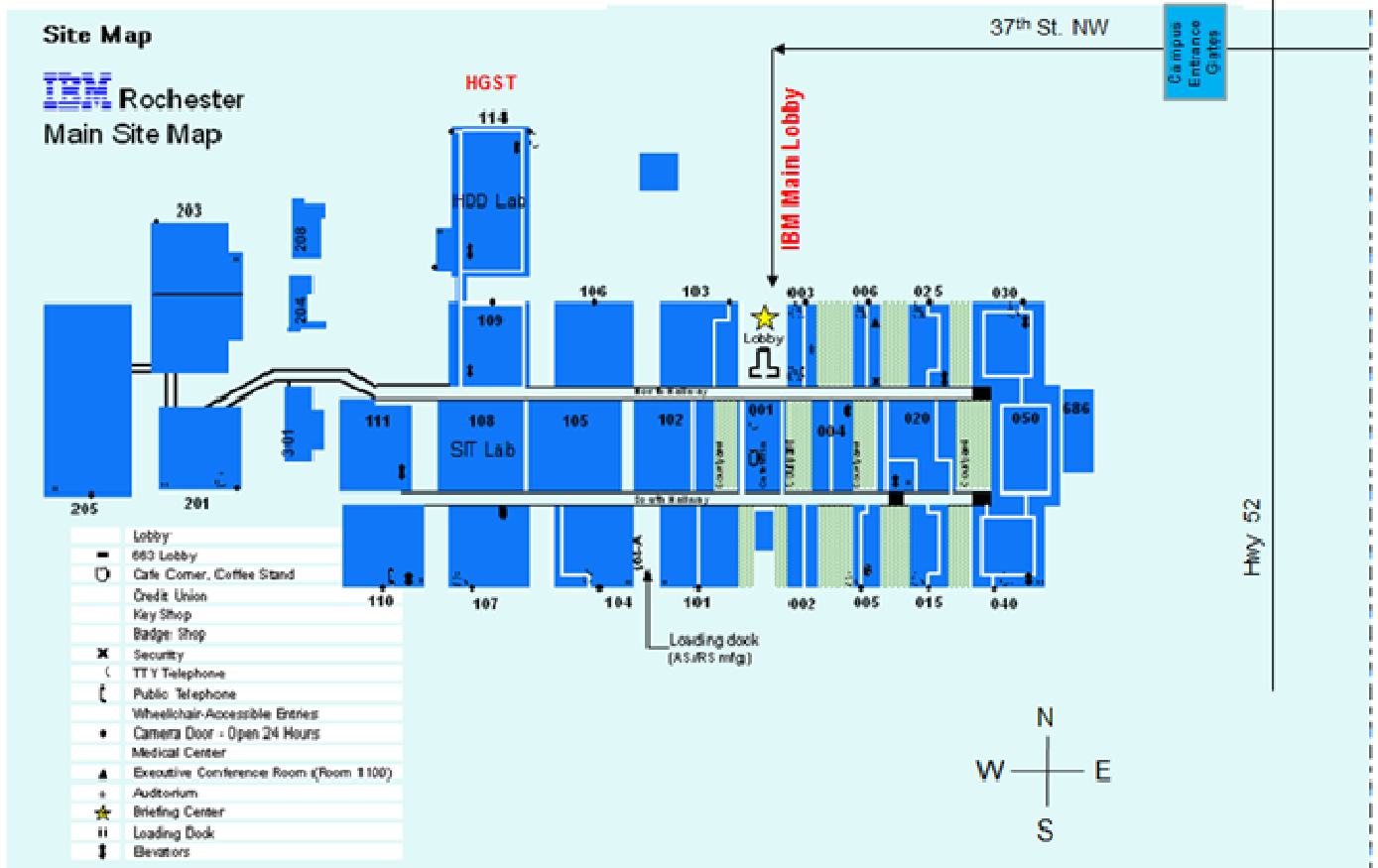
When Registering for this event, please also email denise.wermager@hgst.com to answer the following questions for yourself and any guest you are bringing to the meeting.

- 1) What is your name?
- 2) Are you a US Resident?
- 3) Who is your current employer?

On the 17th - people should arrive by 5:30 and park in the visitors/contractors area in front of building 006. There will be a sign that indicates Contractor's/Visitor's Entrance. Follow the sidewalk between Bldg's 006 and 025 which takes you into IBM security, All persons over the age of 17 must have valid photo identification which can be verified against the previously supplied information. Under 18 does not require the id but prior registration is still required. HGST will have a representative at the security office to lead you to the IBM auditorium in Bldg 003 where we will begin the event with a short presentation at 5:45 (or once people are processed through security). After the presentation we will do a tour of the SIT Lab which is in Bldg 108.

From Hwy 52, take 37th St. NW exit West.

Park in visitor parking, and proceed to the main lobby entrance. (Large IBM on the front).



The schedule we are planning to utilize is as follows:

5:30 - 5:45 -- Clearance of expected attendees through IBM security.

5:45 Begin program - short presentation in IBM auditorium followed by tour of the HGST SIT Lab.
There will be considerable walking so if you have limitations please let us know in advance.

7:30 Dinner - I have made a reservations for 35 at Whistle Binkies on the Lake (South) 507-424-1227
If we have more, we may be able to get their tent if still available, which seats closer to 50. If not we will spill over into the main restaurant.

I gave them my name and number but also included Celeste as a person that may contact them as well regarding the reservation.

Highest priced meal on the menu is \$15.95 so we should be able to do open menu. Most meals range from \$9.00 to \$12.00.

Directions to HGST from La Crosse:

Take I-90 West from La Crosse to Rochester exit 218: US-52

Take US-52 North to 37th Avenue Exit

Turn Left at top of exit and continue through IBM campus entrance gates and go to Bldg 006 - Contractor's/Visitor's Entrance.

Directions to HGST from Winona:

Take US-14 West to US-52 North

Take US-52 North to 37th Avenue Exit

Turn Left at top of exit and continue through IBM campus entrance gates and go to Bldg 006 - Contractor's/Visitor's Entrance.

Directions from HGST to Whistle Binkies on the Lake (South)

Take US-52 South to US-63 South (South Broadway) Avenue Exit

Take 40th Street Exit

Turn Left onto 40th St Southwest/Co Rd 117 SW

Take first left onto Woodlake Drive

Future Meetings

See you next season!

October 15 Meeting will be at Trane in La Crosse

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[PENworks 2013: The ROI of Excellence](http://performanceexcellencenetwork.org/events/penworks-2013-the-roi-of-excellence/)

May 14-15 at the Earle Brown Center, Brooklyn Center

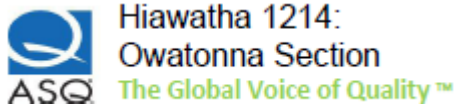
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ASQ 1216 members can take advantage of the significantly lower member rate by typing "1216" in the comment box at the end of the registration form.



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<http://mnasq.org/events-calendar/>



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COURSE NAME	DATE	TIME	HOURS	LOCATION	COST

Offered by ASQ or Co-Sponsored by ASQ

Intro to Supplier Management

Dates: September 9th
Where: AmericInn Hotel and Suites Bloomington West, MN
Website: <http://asq.org/csdroadshow>

Dates: September 10th
Where: Riverport Inn & Suites Winona, MN
Website: <http://asq.org/csdroadshow>

Dates: September 11th
Where: La Quinta Inn & Suites Madison, WI
Website: <http://asq.org/csdroadshow>

Dates: September 12th
Where: Hilton Garden Inn Milwaukee WI
Website: <http://asq.org/csdroadshow>

Handling Supplier Nonconformances

Dates: September 10th
Where: AmericInn Hotel and Suites Bloomington West, MN
Website: <http://asq.org/csdroadshow>

Dates: September 11th
Where: Riverport Inn & Suites Winona, MN
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Supply Chain Business Continuity

Dates: September 11th
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Offered by Other Organizations

Career Opportunities

If your company has current openings and would like to be listed please contact the newsletter editor [Denise Wermager](#)

Company	Employment Website
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	http://www.bench.com/careers/Pages/Job-Search.aspx
	http://watlow.hrmdirect.com/employment/careers.php?
	http://www.hgst.com/company/employment/
	http://careers.ingersollrand.com/default.asp?user_id=
	http://www.inlandcareers.com/
	http://www.duratech.com/employment.asp

IT IS NEVER TOO EARLY TO START PLANNING!

We are seeking motivated individuals to join our board for the 2014-2015 year. Please contact a current board member if you are interested and remember that joining the board earns you extra Recertification Units!

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