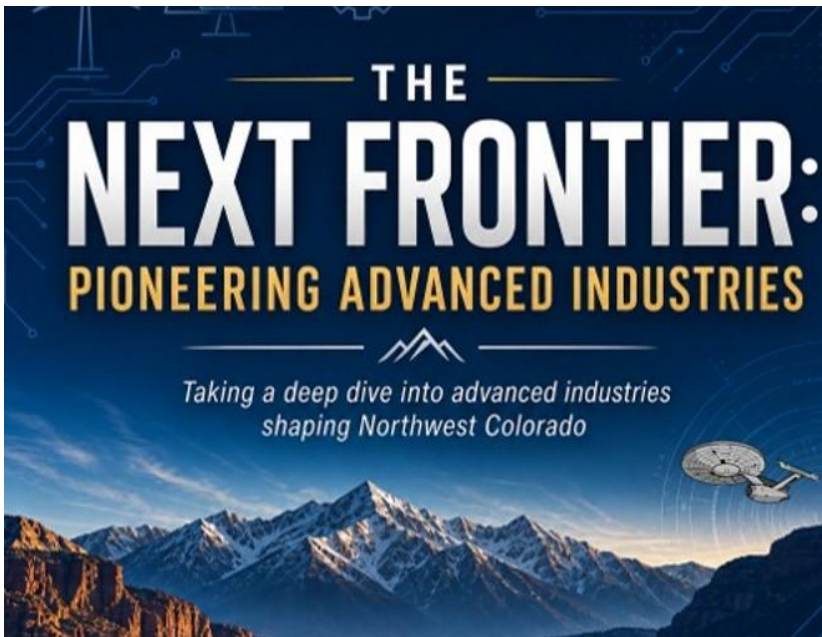




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9:00 AM - 9:05 AM	Welcome & Opening Remarks
9:05 AM - 10:30 AM	The Next Frontier Economy: Trends Shaping Northwest Colorado <i>Dr. Nathan Perry, Colorado Mesa University</i>
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	OEDIT Advanced Industries: Accelerating Innovation, Investment, and Growth <i>Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade</i>
11:30 AM - 12:15 PM	Lunch & Networking
12:15 PM - 2:15 PM	Regional Roundtable (Sponsored by the Colorado Workforce Development Council) <i>Kim Woodworth, Economic Development Council of Colorado</i>
2:15 PM - 2:30 PM	Networking Break
2:30 PM - 3:15 PM	Common Sense for Advanced Industries: Colorado's Policy, Growth, and Risk Signals <i>DJ Summers, Common Sense Institute</i>
3:15 PM - 4:00 PM	Quantum Frontiers: Talent, Innovation, and Opportunity in Colorado <i>David Lopez, Elevate Quantum</i>
4:00 PM	Closing Remarks & Adjourn

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