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Post-Event Statistics

On behalf of LIFT and the entire A2M2X planning team, we extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who attended and contributed to the success of the 2025 Accelerating Advanced Materials & Manufacturing Exchange, A2M2X. Your presence helped shape two powerful days of collaboration, innovation, and momentum for America's advanced manufacturing industrial base.

Whether you joined us for insightful keynotes, technical deep-dives, workforce development discussions, or networking moments, your engagement made this event truly impactful. Together, we are advancing the technologies, partnerships, and talent needed to strengthen and secure our nation's future. Thank you for being part of this vital mission — we look forward to continuing the journey with you.

"Attending A2M2X was the opportunity to connect with key stakeholders across the manufacturing innovation ecosystem. We left feeling energized, informed, and aligned with the future of advanced manufacturing."

Attendees	105
Content Hours	9
Networking Hours	5.5
Tours of LIFT High Bay Facility	3
Exhibitors & Sponsors	20





Featured Panel Discussion – Empowering U.S. Manufacturing: The Vital Role of Industry Associations in Technology, Security, and Economic Growth
 Mary Ellen Doran, AGMA; Dayton Horvath, Association for Manufacturing Technology; Mike Meyer, North American Die Casting Association



Panel Discussion – Ready to Seize AI's Potential? Charting the path to value creation, overcoming the barriers to AI adoption.
 Andrew Webb, Kearney; Greg Colvin, Honeywell; Heiko Wenzel, NVIDIA

A2M2X Drives Momentum for U.S. Manufacturing

The A2M2X Event successfully brought together leaders from government, defense, industry, and academia to accelerate America's advanced manufacturing future. The agenda was packed with high-impact discussions, including keynote presentations from Department of Defense (DoD) leaders, industry panels, and technical sessions that tackled everything from geopolitical influences on manufacturing to AI adoption and advanced materials development. The day's highlights included a ribbon cutting for the new Advanced Metallics Production and Processing Center (AMPP), graced by members of Congress and city leadership, signaling a strong commitment to domestic innovation and workforce growth.



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A2M2X featured presentation: Miller Welding: New Technologies Driven by Customer-Back Innovation



LIFT ribbon cutting of the new Advanced Metallics Production and Processing Center (AMPP).



Jason Bridges, Lockheed Martin, presents New Material Development and Integration

LIFT facility tours at A2M2X, showcasing the latest in manufacturing technology.