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Good afternoon,

The Massachusetts High Technology Council hosted its 46<sup>th</sup> [Annual Meeting](#) earlier this month at the Seaport Hotel in Boston. The event focused on the timely theme of state competitiveness, reflecting the High Tech Council's ongoing efforts to revitalize the state's business environment and maintain its competitive edge over other states.



Bringing together influential leaders, elected officials, and key partners, the Annual Meeting provided a platform for critical discussions on the future of Massachusetts' innovative economy. Here are the key highlights from the event:

### **Keynote Address by Governor Maura Healey**

Massachusetts **Governor Maura Healey** delivered a captivating keynote address, continuing the tradition of the Governor's annual participation in the event. Governor Healey shared her thoughts on the strengths of Massachusetts while addressing the challenges faced in attracting businesses and talent to the Commonwealth. Her insightful remarks shed light on the state's competitive advantages and the strategies required to further enhance its economic growth.



### **Insights on Top States for Business by Scott Cohn**

CNBC Special Correspondent **Scott Cohn**, the creator of the network's influential annual Top States for Business ranking, delivered a compelling presentation focused on this year's theme, providing critical insights into emerging trends in state competitiveness. Attendees gained valuable perspectives on the factors driving economic growth and the importance of fostering a business-friendly environment.



[Click here](#) to view Cohn's presentation.

## Ray Stata Leadership & Innovation Award

We had the honor of welcoming tech legend **Ray Stata**, Founder of Analog Devices, Inc. and Co-founder and first President of the High Tech Council, to present the [2023 Ray Stata Leadership & Innovation Award](#) to outgoing Council Chair **Robert L. Reynolds**, President and CEO of Putnam Investments. This prestigious accolade recognized Bob's unwavering dedication to Massachusetts' economy and quality of life, significant contributions to the state's growth and development, and successful tenure as Board Chair.



## Members Elect New Chair & Vice Chair

We are delighted to announce the election of **John T.C. Lee, Ph.D.**, President and CEO of MKS Instruments, as the 23<sup>rd</sup> Chair of the Board, who succeeded Bob Reynolds following a successful two-year tenure as Vice Chair. This notable achievement makes Dr. Lee the second Chair from MKS Instruments in the High Tech Council's 46-year history. Joining him in a pivotal role is **Corey Thomas**, Chairman and CEO of Rapid7, who will serve as the Vice Chair. As seasoned High Tech Council Board and Executive Committee members, their strategic expertise and deep understanding of the technology landscape will be instrumental in shaping the organization's future endeavors.



## Executive Committee Appointments

**Catherine Kniker**, Executive Vice President and Chief Strategy and Marketing Officer at PTC, and **Navjot Singh, Ph.D.**, Senior Partner at McKinsey & Company, were also voted in as members of the Executive Committee. Their strategic acumen and thought leadership will continue to guide the High Tech Council in its mission to foster senior executive engagement and long-term economic growth.



## Nine New Directors Elected to the Board

We are proud to welcome [nine exceptional individuals as new Directors](#), joining 27 re-elected incumbent Directors that represent a remarkable blend of private-sector, academic/research, and professional service firm leaders in Massachusetts. Their diverse perspectives and expertise will contribute to the High Tech Council's mission of fostering innovation and economic growth. We extend our warmest welcome to:



**Mike Clark**

Division President, Filtration Solutions  
Hollingsworth & Vose



**Rebecca Diaz**

VP, Finance, Treasury, Corp. Dev., Gov.  
Analog Devices, Inc.



**David Forlizzi**

Chief Financial Officer  
Veracode



**David Jarzynka**

Chief Executive Officer  
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**Adam Portnoy**

President & Chief Executive Officer  
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**Brian Shortsleeve**

Co-founder & Managing Director  
M33 Growth



**Grace Wang, Ph.D.**

President  
Worcester Polytechnic Institute



**John Weaver**

Vice President, Human Resources  
IPG Photonics



**Jean-Charles Wirth**

EVP; Head, Science & Lab Solutions  
MilliporeSigma

The Annual Meeting also emphasized [MassVision2050](#), a groundbreaking collaborative project aimed at generating bold ideas for Massachusetts' future. Three emerging workstreams were highlighted, providing a foundation for innovative solutions, and setting the stage for transformative changes that will shape the state's trajectory. Check out the video below to learn more about MassVision2050 or [click here](#).



We would like to extend our gratitude to our sponsors whose support played a vital role in making the 2023 Annual Meeting a resounding success. We express our appreciation to Keynote Speaker Sponsor [EY](#), Guest Speaker Sponsor [Rapid7](#), Meeting Sponsors [Azenta Life Sciences](#), [Chelsea Clock](#), [McKinsey & Company](#), [M&T Bank](#), [MilliporeSigma](#), [MKS Instruments](#), [The RMR Group](#), and [UKG](#), as well as Co-meeting Sponsors [Creation Technologies](#) and [KPMG](#).



As we navigate an evolving and increasingly competitive landscape, the High Tech Council remains steadfast in its dedication to restoring and strengthening the power and promise of the most innovative economy in the United States.

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