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**May Event**

**Professional Development Meeting**

**Tuesday, May 11th, 2010**

**Joint ASQ – APICS Meeting**

**Ron Snartland**

**Sustaining Edge Solutions, Inc.**

[More on this month's speaker below](#)

## **International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR)**

If you work in the defense industry or would like to work in the defense industry this is a presentation you should attend.

Today's global economy requires companies to participate to remain competitive. If you are supplier to the defense industry you may have heard about the need to be complaint to ITAR (International Traffic in Arms Regulations). ITAR is a set of regulations that ensures, that any product that may have a military or space application, or an item that may have "Dual Use", is controlled, to prevent its' unauthorized import and export. It allows your company to compete on a global level and work with companies that are in the military and space supply chain. This presentation will focus on the successful steps and benefits to an effective ITAR system.

**Location**

**Del Monaco**  
**5151 S. Country Club Road**  
**Just north of Benson Highway**  
**Tucson, Arizona**

**Schedule**

Network - 5:30 pm  
 Dinner - 6:00 pm

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Presentation - 7:00 pm

**Cost - \$20**

**RSVP [here](#)**

**by 12 p.m., May 7th, 2010.**

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## Ron Snartland

### About the Speaker:

Ron Snartland is a Senior Consultant with Sustaining Edge Solutions, Inc. a management systems consulting and training firm in Tucson and Phoenix, Arizona. Ron has over twenty-five years of progressive experience in manufacturing and operations management, quality systems management, and process improvement leadership. His management experience includes, electronic manufacturing systems, precision machining, and the food processing industries. Ron has been deeply involved in the transformation of these companies into world class organizations, in the areas of operational management, quality systems management, and organizational excellence. Companies served include: Swift-Eckrich, Continental Circuits Corp., Hadco, Sanmina-SCI, Viasystems Group, and Smith-West, Inc.

His achievements include the design, development, implementation, and successful registration with International Traffic and Arms Regulations (ITAR), and the quality management system MIL-PRF-31032B, which is a military related printed circuit board specification. Ron has lead project improvement teams delivering improved process and product performance, and customer satisfaction using Lean principles, and Six Sigma methodologies.

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To inspire lifelong learning and enhancement of individual and chapter success.

#### Our Mission:

To be the leader and premier provider of individual and organizational education, standards of excellence, and information in Integrated Resource Management.

#### Tucson Chapter Mission Statement:

To help the business and educational community meet challenges of professional growth by providing high quality resource management education.



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