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## TOP TEN REASONS TO ATTEND FASTENER TRAINING WEEK - CLEVELAND

by John Wachman Director of the Fastener Training Institute®

10. *The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame is really cool!*
9. *Dennis Kucinich might give you his autograph.*
8. *You'll learn why manufacturers' head-markings are important.*
7. *Discover why torque/tension is critical to understanding and designing bolted joints.*
6. *RoHS and REACH are important, especially if you don't know what they are.*
5. *Who else offers a five-day tax deductible vacation in Cleveland?*
4. *Learn how to read specifications and order fasteners correctly.*
3. *Joe Greenslade, Salim Brahimi and Carmen Vertullo are really fun to hang with.*
2. *Future savings by not making mistakes are incalculable.*

**And the number 1 reason to attend Fastener Training Week - Cleveland: Your competitors will be attending**

Yes, Fastener Training Week is returning to Cleveland, Ohio! This five-day intensive version of the Fastener Training Institute®'s acclaimed Certified Fastener Specialist™ advanced technical training program will be presented July 22-26 and again November 18-22 at the Industrial Fasteners Institute. Fastener Training Week includes everything that a student would experience in the regular seven-course CFS™ training, but all on consecutive days.

Fastener Training Week features learning labs taught by leading industry experts Joe Greenslade (IFI), Carmen Vertullo CFS (CarVer Consulting), and Salim Brahimi (IBECA Technologies). This program also includes interactive exercises, quizzes to reinforce learning, and plant tours of manufacturing, secondary processes and testing facilities.

### **The curriculum includes:**

- Thread and material specifications

- Dimensional and process specifications
- Quality systems and specifications
- Lot traceability and test reports
- Print reading and tolerances
- Thread gaging and dimensional inspection
- Torque tension
- Acquiring specifications
- Consensus standards organizations

Upon completion of this training and passing a final exam, attendees will be eligible to receive the Certified Fastener Specialist™ (CFS) designation.

Joe Greenslade, IFI director of engineering technology, notes that "employees who are more knowledgeable make fewer errors. In the fastener industry one error can easily exceed the cost of training. You will never know the value of the errors that do not happen, but the more people you employ who are well trained, the fewer costly errors your company will need to absorb over time."

The difference between you and your competition is employee skill, knowledge and productivity. Your return on investment will be:

- Added value to your company and your customers
- Increased efficiencies in processes, resulting in financial gain and sustainability
- Increased innovation in strategies and products
- Enhanced company image
- Risk management

The Fastener Training Institute® offers technical training for the entire fastener industry. The Certified Fastener Specialist™ program was originally founded in 1998. Today more than 800 individuals have participated in the CFS™ program with more than 300 graduates. FTI's core purpose is to enhance fastener use, reliability and safety. 

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