

Keiretsu Forum-MST Expands Southeast Investor Engagement Through Jacksonville Innovation Showcase

The partnership with Silicon Beach reflects Keiretsu Forum-MST's confidence in Northeast Florida's innovation ecosystem and helps build connections.

PHILADELPHIA, PA, UNITED STATES, August 17, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [Keiretsu Forum-MST](#) is expanding its engagement across the Southeast through a partnership with Silicon Beach Development for the 2026 [Innovation Showcase & Investor Forum](#) on Sept. 17 in Jacksonville.

Keiretsu Forum-MST sees Northeast Florida as a region with a strong base of innovation activity and an opportunity to build deeper connections between that ecosystem and its network of early-stage investors.

The Sept. 17 program, presented in association with the University of North Florida's Coggin College of Business, will be held at the Adam W. Herbert University Center, located on the UNF campus at 12000 Alumni Drive, Jacksonville, Florida 32224. The event will bring together accredited investors, founders, venture capitalists, corporate innovation leaders, and others working to advance Northeast Florida's startup and commercialization ecosystem.



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“Strong early-stage markets are built when good ideas and experienced investors are connected, and great ecosystems emerge when the right strategic resources are also connected,” said [Howard Lubert](#), President of Keiretsu Forum-MST. “We see real opportunity in Northeast Florida. Silicon Beach has been building those relationships locally, and this partnership gives us a way to contribute our investor network while becoming more engaged with the companies and leaders already driving the region forward.”

“Keiretsu Forum-MST brings the experienced investor

network and disciplined early-stage perspective that can help Northeast Florida companies build meaningful national relationships,” said Jason Engelhardt, founder of Silicon Beach. “This showcase is designed to connect our region’s emerging companies with investors and strategic partners capable of helping them reach their next stage of growth.”

As part of the showcase, Keiretsu Forum-MST will present four portfolio companies spanning medical technology, therapeutic devices and applied science. Their participation also gives Southeast investors an opportunity to examine the types of companies Keiretsu Forum-MST advances through its screening and diligence process.

CORIT Medical is developing a surgical instrument for nasal turbinate reduction, combining medical-device development with an experienced commercialization team.

Resonate Devices is advancing wearable vibration therapy, including its VibeForward platform, as the company moves from clinical development toward regulatory and commercial execution.

ReliOx Corporation, based in Jacksonville, has developed a patented, on-demand aqueous chlorine dioxide platform with applications across commercial, veterinary, medical and defense markets.

Trace Orthopedics is developing a patented minimally invasive Tendon Fastener intended to address partial tendon tears that fall between conservative treatment and traditional surgery.

“Our objective is to work with companies where the technology addresses a meaningful market need,” Lubert said. “Also, leadership understands what has to happen next and the capital being raised can move the business toward a measurable value or liquidity milestone.”

The investor perspective will be one part of a broader Silicon Beach program designed around Northeast Florida’s startup and commercialization community. The event will include company presentations, emerging technology demonstrations, industry speakers, and opportunities for

direct interaction among founders, investors, and strategic partners.

Keiretsu Forum-MST company leaders and technologies will also be available for demonstrations and media interviews during the event.

Accredited investors throughout the Southeast, as well as investors able to travel to Jacksonville, are invited to attend.

Investor Registration:

https://www.meetup.com/silicone-beach-jax-venture-pitch-attend-group/events/315858705/?eventOrigin=group_upcoming_events

About Keiretsu Forum-MST

Keiretsu Forum-MST is an investor-led community serving the Mid-Atlantic, Southeast and Texas and is part of the global Keiretsu Forum accredited investor network. Members gain access to curated early-stage opportunities through structured screening, collaborative due diligence, syndication, investor education, and active portfolio engagement.

Keiretsu Forum-MST emphasizes disciplined investment selection, governance, capital efficiency and defined pathways to value creation and liquidity.

About Silicon Beach

Silicon Beach is a Northeast Florida-based platform focused on strengthening the region's innovation and commercialization ecosystem through investor engagement, strategic partnerships, and connections among emerging companies, corporate leaders, universities, and public- and private-sector stakeholders.

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