NEED

Florida business, industry, and government rely upon universities as economic engines by tapping into their highly specialized expertise. Florida ExpertNet already makes it easier and faster for businesses to identify major groups of faculty in specialized fields. However, the needs of businesses can be better met by leveraging ExpertNet to provide customized information delivery and collaboration tools.

SOLUTION

The **ExpertNet Innovation Exchange** is a centralized resource to aid in connecting business, industry, and economic development organizations with university faculty.

The Economic Development Administration (EDA) of the U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC) has funded this project because of their interest in highly networked regional talent pools with specialized expertise relevant to the region's innovation clusters.

AUDIENCE

The **ExpertNet Innovation Exchange** is available to any business located in Florida.

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ADVANTAGES

- Provide a mechanism that proactively connects private companies with faculty to identify opportunities and create profitable partnerships.
- Support economic development organizations by providing key value-added information.
- Foster communication and relationships between Florida ExpertNet and business and industry to realize business needs.

