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Regional ICAR event in November

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The Tennessee Valley Corridor is joining with key institutions in South Carolina as well as leading members of the South Carolina congressional delegation to host a special one-day event on Nov. 19 in Greenville, focused on Advanced Transportation and Homeland Security/Regional Resiliency.

A major portion of the one-day Tennessee Valley Corridor Fall Partnership Event is scheduled to be held at Clemson University's new International Center for Automotive Research (CU-ICAR) now under construction in Greenville.

The event will be hosted by Congressman Zach Wamp (R-TN) and Sen. Jim DeMint (R-SC). Confirmed speakers include:

- -- Congressman Bob Inglis (R-SC).
- -- Congressman Gresham Barrett (R-SC).
- -- Peter Brown, Associate Publisher and Editorial Director, Automotive News;.
- -- James F. Barker, President, Clemson University.
- -- John Petersen, President, The University of Tennessee.
- -- Dr. Thom Mason, Director, Oak Ridge National Laboratory.
- -- Dr. Shannon Baxter-Clemmons, Executive Director, South Carolina Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Alliance.
- -- Tom Rogers, Chairman, the Tennessee Valley Corridor, Inc.

"We are very excited to be hosting such a unique partnership event here in Greenville," said DeMint in a prepared statement. "The Tennessee Valley Corridor is aligned with so many of the same initiatives and goals we have for our world-class science, technology, economic development and research partners and institutions here in South Carolina, and we hope this event is the first of many opportunities to create new collaborations between the two regions."

Advertisement "The impressive research and work already being done by BMW, Michelin, Clemson and so many other South Carolina partners in advanced transportation will soon all come together at the new CU-ICAR facility and that has really impressed all of us in the Tennessee Valley Corridor," Wamp said. "We look forward to getting together, sharing information and looking for ways we can work together for the benefit of both regions as we seek to both develop and capitalize on the advanced transportation, alternative fuels and technologies that will drive the automotive industry and workforce in the future."

Registration for the event is open to the public and all science, technology, research, economic development, education and business leaders are encouraged to attend. For more information on how to register, visit <a href="http://www.tennvalleycorridor.org/">http://www.tennvalleycorridor.org/</a>.