

# MIT CLUB OF SOUTH TEXAS



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## 2005 Homeland Security and BioDefense Symposium II

*What are the business and technology development opportunities in homeland security and emergency management?*

**Date Oct 11, 2005**

**Time: 5-8PM**

**RSVP by 11pm CDT Oct 7 via SmarTrans™**

**(Contact Eric Chan** if you do not wish to use SmarTrans™ for registration)

**Location:** The Trevisio in the Texas Medical Center  
6550 Bertner St, Houston, TX 713.749.0400  
<http://www.trevisiorestaurant.com/>

\$35: MIT Club of South Texas dues paid members

\$35: MIT Enterprise Forum members

\$45: Non-members

If space available, \$45 at the door.

Some of you may recall our original symposium, held on May 24, 2004, at the Houston Technology Center: Moderated by John Bales, Director of Public Safety & Drug Policy Office from Houston Mayor Bill White's Office, a panel of local stakeholders discussed new economic and technical development opportunities affecting the South Texas area.

Overall, the 2004 symposium was a success and attracted over 50 attendees from the local business and research communities, including a number of MIT alumni. Here are several comments from attendees:

- *"[The symposium] was particularly useful to hear the several people involved with actual operations in the Houston area address their plans and concerns."*
- *"It was sufficient to inform us of the spectrum of issues so that interested members of the audience could pick up on topics of particular interest."*

**We pleased to announce that the MIT Club of South Texas and the MIT Enterprise Forum of Texas are jointly sponsoring a follow on Symposium.** 2005 Homeland Security and BioDefense Symposium II Panelists (confirmed as of September 12, 2005):

**Chief Dennis Storemski**, Director, Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security for the City of Houston (moderator)

**Captain Rick Kaser '89**, Captain of the Port, US Coast Guard

**Dr. David Gorenstein '67**, Associate Dean of UTMB and Galveston BioContainment Lab

**Dr. Steven Pei**, Executive Director, Southwest Public Safety Technology Center, University of Houston

**Dr. Sandy Weinburg**, GE Healthcare Vaccine Development Group

**Israel "Issy" Boim**, Security Consultant, BIGSecurity, Inc.

- Eric Chan, Kathie Nordt

## Save The Date:

**An Evening with Joseph G. Hadzima, Jr.**  
**Senior Lecturer, MIT Sloan School of Management**

**Date: November 16**

**Time: To be announced**

**Location: To be announced**

Joseph G. Hadzima, Jr., Senior Lecturer, MIT Sloan School of Management, Managing Director of Main Street Partners LLC, and Chair of the Global MIT Enterprise Forum, has agreed to speak in Houston at a MIT Enterprise Forum and MIT Club of South Texas joint event. Details will be announced in the October 2005 newsletter.

- Eric Chan, Kathie Nordt

## Upcoming Events:

11 Oct: Homeland Security Symposium  
TBD Oct: Happy Hour

16 Nov: MIT Sloan Lecture  
TBD Nov: Dining Club Event

TBD Dec: Annual Holiday Party

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