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**Steve Thorburn to Facilitate  
New Learning Space Summit at EduComm 2011**

**SAN FRANCISCO, CA – June 6, 2011** – On June 13, immediately prior to the launch of EduComm 2011, an invitation-only group of 40 campus executives will meet in Orlando, for the 1st Annual New Learning Space Summit at EduComm. The Summit is dedicated to creating the best learning space for today's and tomorrow's students. It is presented by the University Business Leadership Institute with sponsorship support from AMX, in coordination with New Learning Space Summit content partner Thorburn Associates.

As an industry expert and thought leader in the AV industry, Steve Thorburn, PE, a Principal at Thorburn Associates, will facilitate this exclusive event. The Summit program provides an interactive round-table format for case study presentation and discussion, question-and-answer opportunities around key issues, networking among leaders and decision makers, and ongoing collaboration post-event through shared contact information. Highlights of the event include:

- Expert presentations and practical applications emphasizing how automation and control innovations power the New Learning Space
- Interactive sessions focused on the value of collaboration among higher educational leaders and solutions providers in implementing the New Learning Space
- Campus and classroom designers and planners sharing insights and discussing ideas to shape a more efficient, higher performance learning space
- Executive roundtables and a VIP reception for trusted relationship building opportunities among the Summit's leadership audience

The New Learning Space Summit will focus on the collaboration and the New Learning Environment will discuss in detail these four segments of design: Innovations in Automation and Control, Sustainability and the Green Movement, Creating a Safe and Secure Campus, Content Capture and Video On Demand in Distance Learning.

Steve Thorburn is a passionate industry leader, that graduated with a dual degree from Michigan Technology University. As a founding principal of Thorburn Associates, Steve is always



involved with client projects. Having been a licensed engineer with 20+ years experience in the architectural application of acoustic and audiovisual technology, he is an experienced industry expert. Steve is licensed in 10 states and is a LEED-AP and Associate AIA member. As a thought leader, Steve enjoys helping others understand the principals of acoustics and audiovisual technology, speaking frequently at industry conferences, and educational seminars.

In addition, he will be teaching a workshop on Planning for Technology on July 24th in National Harbor, Maryland, prior to the SCUP National Conference and again on October 17th in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, prior to the EDUCAUSE National Conference. For more information see [www.TA-Inc.com/planning](http://www.TA-Inc.com/planning).

#### **About EduComm**

EduComm is higher education's premier gathering of Presidents, CIOs, CFOs, vice presidents, treasurers, network architects, AV and media directors, provosts, deans, and a wide spectrum of campus technology leaders. At EduComm 2011, visionary leaders engage with practical approaches to the most up-to-date, innovative, and bold solutions guiding the best practices on today's campuses, and shaping the fast-approaching future of higher education's most challenging and promising horizons. For more information about EduComm visit [www.educommconference.com](http://www.educommconference.com)

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Headquartered in Castro Valley, CA, with regional offices in Los Angeles, Orlando and Raleigh-Durham, NC, TA specializes in highly technological projects. Thorburn Associates is the leading firm that helps individuals through the better use of technology. In the course of 19 years in business, TA projects have received multiple awards, from the International Communications Industry Association (ICIA-InfoComm), the American Institute of Architects (AIA) and the Themed Entertainment Association (TEA). Visit [www.TA-Inc.com](http://www.TA-Inc.com).

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