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**NYSTAR CELEBRATES 25th ANNIVERSARY OF
POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY'S CENTER FOR ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY
IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

Edward Reinfurt, Executive Director of the New York State Foundation for Science, Technology and Innovation (NYSTAR), congratulated Polytechnic University's Center for Advanced Technology in Telecommunications (CATT) on its 25th Anniversary and Gala Celebration.

"Jerry Hultin is a great university leader and the work being done at CATT under Director Panwar has helped put New York State at the forefront of today's innovation economy" said Executive Director Reinfurt.

The celebration included opening remarks by Polytechnic University Provost Erich Kunhardt and CATT Director Shivendra S. Panwar, a keynote luncheon speech by NYSTAR Director of Communications and Intergovernmental Affairs Jannette Rondo and closing remarks by Polytechnic University President Jerry Hultin. Research overviews and panel discussions included topics such as the Wireless Internet Center for Advanced Technology, digital media, cybersecurity, wireless convergence with digital and traditional media as well as entrepreneurship and high technology in New York City.

"The mission of Polytechnic University's New York State Center for Advanced Technology in Telecommunications has been to stimulate innovation, invention, and entrepreneurship in technologies related to telecommunications within New York State," said President Hultin.

"NYSTAR's support and mission has been instrumental to the Center's success for the past 25 years," said Dr. Shivendra S. Panwar, Director of CATT.

CATT also announced that it has awarded three New York State companies -- AFP Imaging, InterDigital, and Verizon Communications -- with its Technological

Impact Award in recognition of their pursuit of continued research and innovation in telecommunications.

The mission of the New York State Center for Advanced Technology in Telecommunications (CATT) at Polytechnic University, one of the nation's oldest private engineering universities and New York's preeminent resource in science and technology education and research, is to foster industry/university partnerships and education in order to commercialize research that capitalizes on the benefits of converging technologies. In addition, CATT addresses and helps solve problems while creating exciting new opportunities in the areas of wireless and personal communications networks and devices, integrated and secure information technologies and solutions and multimedia applications/services.

NYSTAR is a public benefit corporation that helps grow New York's innovation economy with its support of high technology development and commercialization through academic and business partnerships.

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