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AK STEEL CEO TO ADDRESS ATTENDEES AT IRON & STEEL TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE AND EXPOSITION

PITTSBURGH, 28 March 2018 — Roger Newport, chief executive officer, AK Steel, will present a keynote address at the [AIST President's Award Breakfast](#) on Tuesday, 8 May, at 8 a.m. The President's Award Breakfast is one of the signature events of [AISTech 2018](#), North America's pre-eminent trade show.

In 2017, Newport was awarded AIST's Steelmaker of the Year for his strategic and dynamic leadership at AK Steel engaging and empowering employees to drive innovation, quality, safety, environmental stewardship, and productivity to meet the needs of its customers with outstanding products and processes — today and for the future. He is also a leader in the industry, fighting for steel manufacturing in America and serving as a voice for support and change in the domestic and global steel industry.

Newport's speech is titled "Providing Innovative and Sustainable Steel Solutions." He'll discuss AK Steel's focus on driving innovative steel solutions to meet and exceed customers' needs, and how the industry is driving alternative and sustainable steel answers for today's demanding marketplace.

"I am excited to discuss the innovative steel solutions we are creating as our researchers anticipate the future needs of our customers and their customers," said Newport. "As we execute on our strategy, and as the only U.S. producer of carbon, stainless and electrical steel products, we are well positioned to bring the broadest range of product solutions to our customers."

In addition to the keynote address, attendees of the President's Breakfast also will hear from AIST president Randy Skagen, vice president and general manager, Nucor Steel Tuscaloosa Inc., who will be presenting several prestigious association awards, including AIST's Steelmaker of the Year.

Advance tickets for the President's Award Breakfast are US\$45 per person, or US\$400 for reserved tables of 10. For more information on the President's Award Breakfast, call +1.724.814.3000, ext. 1 or visit [AISTech.org](#).

In addition to the breakfast, AISTech 2018 will include the annual technology conference, which will feature more than 550 technical presentations on a wide variety of aspects of iron and steel manufacturing technology. Also more than 500 domestic and international companies will be represented on the trade show floor, together offering an unrivaled display of global steel technology.

About Roger Newport: [Roger Newport](#) was named chief executive officer and a member of the board of directors of AK Steel Corp. effective 1 January 2016. Newport started his career with the company in 1985 in the accounting department. He advanced through a number of increasingly responsible finance, sales and marketing roles at the corporate headquarters and the company's Middletown Works. He was named controller in 2001 and chief accounting officer in 2004. He advanced to vice president, business planning and development in 2010, and vice president, finance and chief financial officer in 2012. He was named senior vice president, finance and chief financial officer in 2014, and executive vice president, finance and chief financial officer in 2015.

Newport serves as vice chairman of the board of directors of the American Iron and Steel Institute (AISI), chairman of the AISI Policy and Planning Committee, and member of the Finance Committee, the Steel Market Development Institute CEO Group and North American Steel Council. He is a member of the executive committee of the board of directors of the World Steel Association, and a member of its audit committee. Newport is a member of the Washington, D.C., USA-based Business Roundtable. He is also a member of Financial Executives International. Newport serves on the Business Advisory Council for the Lindner College of Business at the University of Cincinnati. Newport holds a B.B.A. degree in accounting from the University of Cincinnati and an M.B.A. with honors from Xavier University.

About the Association for Iron & Steel Technology: [AIST](#) is an international technical association of more than 17,500 professional and student members, representing iron and steel producers, their allied suppliers, and related academia. The association is dedicated to advancing the technical development, production, processing and application of iron and steel.

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Editor's Note:

Roger Newport and several other steel executives will be available for a brief **question and answer session** for the media following the President's Award Breakfast. **Complimentary seating** for the breakfast is available to members of the media. For more information, or to reserve a space at this event, please [complete the online press registration form](#), or call [Stacy Varnecky](#) at +1.724.814.3066.