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REFA Programs for 1st quarter 2012: Stronger than ever

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On Tuesday, February 28th REFA will present A Complex Decision: The Future of the Work Space at the Stamford Marriott at 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Users of space are changing the way they think about the office work environment and it may have a lasting effect on the markets and how fast companies absorb first and second generation space. Occupancy costs are in the top three expense categories for every business and CEOs are recognizing the impact of occupancy costs on shareholder value. The drivers that determine the way companies pick locations and design and build the work environment are changing and these changes may leave some of the existing inventory of office buildings functionally obsolete or in need of major renovations to the base building infrastructure. This program will feature a panel of experts ranging from consultants and allied professionals to users and owners of office buildings.

What are the new drivers of space and their importance to the tenants? How do these drivers affect the cost and impact on the building and its owner?

Panelist include: Michael Carneglia, Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; Mark van Summern, AIA, Perkins Eastman; Raymond Quartararo, Jones Lang LaSalle; and Jeff Gage, CresaPartners as moderator.

Join your REFA colleagues to hear about this timely topic.

A Members Only REFA Breakfast Roundtable will be held on March 2nd at 1020 Post Rd., Darien between 7:30 a.m. and 9 a.m.

Arthur Collins will be our guest at our Members Only Breakfast Roundtable. Arthur and his brother, Dwight head-up Collins Enterprises. This company and its predecessor companies have a long history of development in Metropolitan New York and the Tidewater area of Virginia. That history includes innovative developments, both commercial and multifamily in Stamford, Greenwich, Yonkers, Princeton, Bronxville, Norfolk, and other locales.

Join us for an inside view of Arthur's company, its history and its vision of the future.

Space is limited to only 35 REFA members. Registrations are on-line only, on a first come, first serve basis. The fee to attend is \$15.

Register online at www.refact.org. On the Event Calendar click the green globe on March 2nd to register.

When paying online by credit card, your card will be charged upon registration. If paying by check please mail to: REFA, PO Box 30, Bloomfield, CT 06002. Please note name and date of event on check.

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