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### **DATA-CRAFT SOLUTIONS' DIRECTOR FOCUSES ON WORLD-CLASS INVENTORY MANAGEMENT APICS WEBINAR**

**DURHAM, NC** - Preston W. Blevins is a Director with Datacraft Solutions. He specializes in the implementation of good business practices for enterprise resource management, lean "pull" inventory management, supply-chain management and e-collaboration.

On May 28, at 2:00 p.m. ET (GMT -04:00, New York), there will be an APICS (The Association for Operations Management) webinar with presenter Preston W. Blevins, CFPIIM, FBPICS, CIRM, CSCP. According to Blevins, "The operations and supply-chain practitioner will learn and understand the core logic and rationale behind the food safety component of the Bioterrorism Act and in particular the Act's record keeping (lot trace) requirement. Also, how the other current food industry-wide 'top ten' key organizational improvements issues integrate and support the number one goal of food safety and compliance to the Bioterrorism Act. The attendee will learn about the 'implied' requirements of the Bioterrorism Act record keeping obligation. Another learning benefit is the understanding of the relationship between role of data accuracy, data quality and data security in regulatory compliance and effective inventory management."

How to leverage, and take advantage of the record keeping obligation of the Act and convert it into effective inventory management will be described. The role of Lean Manufacturing techniques and their contribution to data quality and confusion elimination will be explored and explained. Finally, the role of Material Requirements Planning (MRP) and, when appropriate, Kanban to achieving "WORLD-CLASS INVENTORY MANAGEMENT" will be examined. Metrics to highlight the result of disciplined inventory management will be reviewed and analyzed.

This webinar is designed not only for the manufacturer of "branded" products but also for those who have to manage contract manufacturers and those who are contract manufacturers.

Preston's hands-on practitioner manufacturing industry experience include all positions associated with materials, manufacturing and plant management in a variety of manufacturing environments.



Following his manufacturing industry career, Preston has spent the last twenty-five years in the consulting and the manufacturing software industry. Preston has had extensive international experience.

**Datacraft Solutions** ([www.datacraftsolutions.com](http://www.datacraftsolutions.com)) delivers a revolutionary digital kanban process of automation solutions to lean manufacturers through a secure Internet gateway, eliminating the need to install and maintain a complex IT infrastructure. The company has experienced significant growth in the past two years by eliminating complicated, expensive, time-intensive software implementations as well as extensive training regimens and the need for internal support. Datacraft Solutions' replenishment supply chain digital kanban system allows customers to access and utilize powerful lean benefits immediately for a low, predictable monthly fee. Services are scalable so manufacturers can design an appropriate digital kanban solution.

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