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## **International Business Forums**

**Wednesday, February 13, 2002.** S. Tamer Cavusgil, Executive Director, Tomas Hult, Director, Irem Kiyak, Assistant Director, and Michael Reed, Systems Analyst of the International Business Center will demonstrate "globalEDGE<sup>TM</sup> <globalEDGE.msu.edu>: A global business knowledge web-portal that connects international business professionals worldwide to a wealth of information, insights, and learning resources on global business activities."

Shortly after launch in May 2001, globalEDGE<sup>TM</sup> experienced tremendous traffic, commanding recognition as one of the leading International Business Knowledge Portals in the world by several companies, such as idiom (see http://www.idiominc.com/us/services/worldwise.asp) and eLearning Magazine (see http://www.elearningmag.com/issues/july01/globalaudience.asp). Presently, the portal is making an impressive climb up search engine ranks, attracting some 35,000 to 40,000 visitor sessions and close to 1 million hits per month.

As a gateway to specialized knowledge on countries, cross-border business transactions, and cross-cultural management, globalEDGE<sup>TM</sup> provides essential information in accordance with the interests of global business professionals. Furthermore, globalEDGE<sup>TM</sup> links business executives and academicians worldwide through virtual communities such as the Global Interact Network (GINList), discussion forums on various topics, and the Global Management Certificate Program offered by The Eli Broad College of Business.

GlobalEDGE <sup>TM</sup> also integrates a series of diagnostic tools developed by researchers at MSU-CIBER. These web-driven tools incorporate the knowledge and experience of seasoned international business executives as well as empirical research finding

on international business operations. The tools can be used for training of students and managers. The presentation will also include a demo of these tools, which include Company Globalization Potential<sup>TM,</sup> Company Readiness to Export (CORE)<sup>TM</sup>, Distributor<sup>TM</sup>, Freight<sup>TM</sup> and Partner<sup>TM</sup>.

The presentation is open to the public and there is no charge. It will take place on **Wednesday, February 13, 2002** at 3:30pm in room 119 at the James B. Henry Center for Executive Development at University Park next to the University Club. Refreshments will be served and a memento will be offered to attendees. Please email or call Beverly Wilkins, ibf@bus.msu.edu, 517-353-4336 for reservations.



**Directions to the James B.Henry Center** 

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With extensive international experience, each speaker wraps personal insights around a practical and up-to-the-minute approach to conducting international trade. These events are open to the public.

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