



The Connecticut Education Network (CEN) Announces Jennifer Corriero as 2016 Conference Keynote Speaker

HARTFORD, CT (January 19, 2016) – The Connecticut Education Network (CEN) is excited to announce Jennifer Corriero, Co-founder and Director of TakingItGlobal, as the keynote speaker for the 2016 CEN member conference to be held on May 13, 2016 at the Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford. Corriero, named a Forbes 2013 Innovative Rising Star in Education, Healthcare and Environment, has spoken about online activism and technology in education in over 30 countries in addition to serving as a youth engagement consultant for companies like Microsoft.

CEN's conference theme for 2016 is LINK (Leveraging Ideas, Networks, Knowledge) and is aimed at educators and technologists from K-12 schools, universities, libraries, municipalities and businesses across CT and the region. Registration is now open (<https://www.cvent.com/events/2016-cen-member-conference/registration-8826e50fb0bd4c5096f92d6d0e62bb5a.aspx>) with early bird prices until February 5, 2016. CEN is also accepting sponsor registration and proposals for breakout session speakers on topics ranging from security to utilizing social media.

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About CEN

Connecticut Education Network (CEN), the nation's first all-optic research and education network, delivers reliable, high-speed Internet access, data transport, and value added services to its members throughout Connecticut.

Over the past fifteen years, CEN delivers on the promise of equality in education by providing access to technology that schools and libraries would not be able to afford on their own. This investment is supported by the State of Connecticut, private schools, non profit organizations and institutions of higher education that are committed to the idea of overall improvement in education and broad support for access to technology. CEN is now currently working to complement the CTGig Project, whose aim is to provide gigabit Internet access in CT towns and cities at the level of the local constituencies (residential). **For more information:** www.cen.ct.gov/cen