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Online Registration Now Open for IMA's 9th Annual Student Leadership Conference; Coming to Jacksonville, November 6-8

Montvale, N.J., September 15, 2008 -- This fall, students, professors and practitioners will come together for three days of education, networking, and fun at IMA's 9th Annual Student Leadership Conference. The Conference will be held November 6-8 at the Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront in Jacksonville, FL. Online registration is now open at <http://www.imanet.org/slc08>.

Students can learn from experts about management accounting career opportunities, the value of CMA certification, leadership, ethics, Six Sigma, IFRS, strategic planning, budgeting, forensic accounting, résumé writing, and more. New this year, Premier Sponsor Johnson & Johnson will sponsor a résumé writing and interviewing workshop. Ten students will be preselected to be interviewed on-site for job opportunities at J&J. (See conference registration website for information on how to apply).

This year's lineup of keynote presenters includes: David Burritt, CFO and vice president, Global Finance & Strategic Support Division, Caterpillar Inc.; and Patrick J. Kuhse, speaker, trainer, and consultant on business ethics.

"Most accountants in the U.S. work inside organizations and are the backbone of decision support, planning, and control," said Jodi Ryan, IMA manager of student and academic relations. "IMA's Student Leadership Conference takes education beyond the classroom by connecting students to practitioners and real-world experiences."

IMA is also planning a number of fun networking activities at the Conference, including an Opening Night Reception and a Friday Night Fun Fest at Jacksonville Municipal Stadium, home of the Jacksonville Jaguars.

Online registration is open now through October 17 (or until registration capacity is met). Special room rates have been negotiated at the Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront Hotel. For more information, or to register online, please visit <http://www.imanet.org/slc08>.

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