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**Speaker Summary**

**The Changing Face of Business**

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Bob Geolas is President & Chief Executive Officer of Research Triangle Foundation of North Carolina. Research Triangle Park is home to more than 170 global companies (including IBM, GlaxoSmithKline, RTI International, Credit Suisse, and Cisco) that foster a culture of scientific advancement and competitive excellence. The Park is consistently ranked one of the top places for innovation and the best business climate in the United States.

Bob coordinates initiatives and efforts to ensure the Park remains at the forefront of technology and applied science. He leads the Foundation in achieving its mission of creating opportunities for all of North Carolina by repositioning RTP to respond to new realities and re-invent itself to meet the demands of the 21st Century.

Bob brings more than 20 years of experience to RTP and has a proven track record of leveraging world-class education, research and business activities. He most recently served as Executive Director of the Clemson University International Center for Automotive Research (CU-ICAR). In his earlier career, Bob led North Carolina State University's Centennial Campus and Centennial Biomedical Campus.