Albert Dorman Lecture Series

With Distinguished Speaker

C. D. Mote, Jr.

President of the National Academy of Engineering

Presenting his Lecture

Understanding and Executing Leadership

Thursday, September 7, 2017, 3:30pm at RTH 526
Followed by a reception 4:30pm-5:00pm

Abstract

Organizations are characterized by vision and leadership where vision describes where the organization is going, and leadership describes steps to guide it there. Understanding leadership prior to executing it can facilitate greatly its ultimate effectiveness. Leadership learned through experience can be an expensive education. The lecture presents a personal view of the foundation of leadership and vignettes of its strategic execution to significant effect.

Biography

C. D. Mote, Jr. is president of the National Academy of Engineering and Regent’s Professor on leave from the University of Maryland, College Park. He held an endowed chair in mechanical systems at Berkeley, chaired the Mechanical Engineering Department from 1987 to 1991, and served as vice chancellor from 1991 to 1998. In 1998 Dr. Mote was recruited to the presidency of the University of Maryland, College Park, a position he held for twelve years when he was appointed Regents’ Professor. The Academic Ranking of World Universities ranked the campus #36 in 2010 and its Engineering School #13.

As president of the NAE, Dr. Mote’s goal is to ensure highly competitive talent for the 21st Century engineering workforce, to facilitate public understanding of engineering by demonstrating how engineering creates a better quality of life and serves society, and to engage the academy in global engineering issues in support of national interests.