

Graphene: A Global Material with the Need for Global Alliances

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In a span of 14 years, graphene has attracted an intense amount of scientific and general interest and consequently considerable amount of funding. Due to the intense publicity and the hype cycle that graphene experienced, there is currently an expectation and a heavy rush to commercializing which at times can disrupt the multi layered nexus that is often organically developed over time for the industrialization of a novel advanced material. Although regional efforts are the back bone and the first required initiatives in the developmental process, graphene is a global phenomenon/material and its full potential can only be realized with close-knit collaboration and partnerships.

As the main organization and body in the United States advocating and promoting for the commercialization of graphene, National Graphene Association (NGA) is focused on convening current and future stakeholders in industry, academia and related organizations, building global alliances and addressing critical issues such as policy and standards development which will in turn create the organized momentum that is needed to propel the industry forward.