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Sponsorship opportunities are available
Registration opens early 2020
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Quantum Foundry Model

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We will explore the development of a Quantum Process Design Kit (QPDK) for designing Quantum photonic Integrated circuits at a high level of abstraction. The QPDK will be complemented by novel calibration, characterization, and detection methods.

Education and Workforce

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