



glEnnovate
Global Innovation Awards

Dear **Laura Savinovich**,

Congratulations! **Snackin Free** has been selected to receive the 2016 Annual Inland Empire Global Innovation Award and be a member of the Collaborative launched by The Center for Global Management at California State University San Bernardino, the U.S. Small Business Administration, the California Centers for International Trade Development, the Riverside County Economic Development Agency, and San Bernardino Economic Development Agency.

As part of an initiative to build strategic partnerships in our region and with global leaders across the world, we are piloting the **2016 Global Innovation Awards**. You have been selected to receive the award for your organization's transformational drive in the **Supply Chain** cluster. For the purposes of this award, we conceive innovation as being imaginative; living a way to create meaningful change. It is a way to lead the world with original ideas and provide fruitful solutions. You have proven to be an Innovation Champion in our region.

We invite you to receive this recognition at a special luncheon to be organized on **September 26, 2016 at California State University, San Bernardino**. Along with other recipients chosen to receive an Innovation Award, you will be recognized by the collaborative. You will have an opportunity to exchange your innovation stories with CSUSB students interested in becoming innovation champions in our region. You will also meet up with other innovative and revolutionary IE organizations in the four innovation clusters targeted by the collaborative:

- (1) Supply chain/ logistics/ agrifoods/ advanced manufacturing
- (2) Technology/ cybersecurity/ venture finance/ commercialization
- (3) Leisure/ hospitality/ recreation/ entertainment/ tourism
- (4) Education/ Health/ social and public services

Immediately following the awards luncheon, we invite you to join a special Global Innovation Dialogue with other Inland Empire award recipients and with our special guests -the New Zealand Trade Center. The New Zealand Trade Center (NZTC) is an export trading company helping New Zealand companies achieve global success. The purpose of the dialogue is to exchange innovation practices and explore opportunities for collaboration, trade and investment between the Innovative Inland Empire and the innovative organizations in related clusters from the New Zealand.

Please confirm your acceptance of this award by contacting Evelyn Marquez at emarquez@csusb.edu or (909) 537-5771 no later than **Thursday, September 22, 2016**. A nominal contribution of \$50 per participant is requested to cover the cost of the luncheon. Please see the enclosed registration and timeline for the event.

We look forward to hearing from you and once again congratulate you on being selected!

Dr. Vipin Gupta

Associate Dean
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Co-Director, Global Management Center

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