



## National Personnel Services Connecting in Atlanta 2009

Below are listed just a few of the networking groups in Atlanta that can assist you in developing your network for your career or your business. This is just the tip of the iceberg in Atlanta.

**Network and Prosper!**

### Executive

**ExecuNet** - [www.execunet.com](http://www.execunet.com) - National with local chapters - [atlanta.execunet.com](http://atlanta.execunet.com)  
Atlanta's Premier Executive Networking Group. High caliber small groups that focus on assisting each other. Best way to cross pollinate out of your chosen field. Atlanta Chapter has its own LinkedIn Group

**The Kettering Group** - <http://www.theketteringgroup.com> - Local Executive Networking Group, invitation only, I highly recommend it.

### Technology Community

**Gwinnett Technology Forum** - [www.gwinnettchamber.org/Gwinnett-Technology-Forum](http://www.gwinnettchamber.org/Gwinnett-Technology-Forum)

**MIT Forum** - [www.mitforumatlanta.org](http://www.mitforumatlanta.org) – Best Business & Technology combination

**PMI** (Project Management Institute) - [www.pmiatlanta.org](http://www.pmiatlanta.org) - Atlanta Chapter

**SIM** (Software Information Management) - [www.simatlanta.org](http://www.simatlanta.org) - Local organization for CIOs and CTOs.

**SPIN** (Software Process Improvement Network) - [www.atlantaspin.org](http://www.atlantaspin.org) - National with local chapters.

**TAG** - [www.tagonline.org](http://www.tagonline.org)

**WIT** (Women in Technology) - [www.witinc.org](http://www.witinc.org) - TAG's best organization (SIG), bar none, most productive for networking and business development.

**The Business and Technology Alliance** - the second best SIG in TAG.

**The Entrepreneur SIG** – great for startups.

**The BPM SIG** and also the **Content Management SIG** – I was co-chair for both, great groups.

**400 Technology Connection** – [www.400tc.com](http://www.400tc.com) - Great for leading edge technology updates.

Users Groups: Too many to list, practically one for every software product. A few I recommend...

Atlanta Java Users Group - [www.ajug.org](http://www.ajug.org) - Very detail oriented. Good group.

Atlanta Ruby User Group - [www.atlrug.org](http://www.atlrug.org)

Atlanta Web Design Group - [www.awdg.org](http://www.awdg.org)

Atlanta Web Entrepreneurs - [www.meetup.com/atlantawebentrepreneurs](http://www.meetup.com/atlantawebentrepreneurs)

### Financial Community

AFP (Association for Financial Professionals of Atlanta) - [www.afpofatlanta.org](http://www.afpofatlanta.org)

AMIFS (Association for Management Information in Financial Services) - [www.amifs.org](http://www.amifs.org)

CFA (The CFA Society of Atlanta, Inc.) – [www.cfa-atlanta.org](http://www.cfa-atlanta.org)

FENG (Financial Executive Networking Group) – [www.thefeng.org](http://www.thefeng.org) - National organization with a local chapter. A great group with good activity in Atlanta.

### Entrepreneur Community

Startup Lounge - [www.startuplounge.com](http://www.startuplounge.com) - This is the BEST for entrepreneur trying to raise capital.

Startup Chicks - [www.startupchicks.net](http://www.startupchicks.net) / - Very cool group!

TIE (The Global Network of Entrepreneurs) - <http://atlanta.tie.org> – Atlanta Chapter

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### Biotech Community

GABio (Georgia Bio) - [www.gabio.org](http://www.gabio.org) – Good organization.

### HR Community

SHRM (Society for Human Resource Management) - [www.shrmatlanta.org](http://www.shrmatlanta.org) – Excellent

Atlanta Human Resource Leadership Forum (HRLF) - [www.atlantahrleader.com](http://www.atlantahrleader.com)

### Sales & Marketing Community

AIMA (Atlanta Interactive Marketing Association) - <http://www.atlantaima.org>

AMA (American Marketing Association) - [www.ama-atlanta.com](http://www.ama-atlanta.com)

BMA (Business Marketing Organization) - [www.bmaatlanta.com](http://www.bmaatlanta.com)

SMEI (Sales & Marketing Executives International) - [www.smei.org](http://www.smei.org) – Great Atlanta Chapter

AMF (Atlanta Marketing Forum) - [amf-net.ning.com](http://amf-net.ning.com) – Great events. Cool social networking.

### Manufacturing Community

Institute of Industrial Engineers - [www.iienet.org/chapters/006/](http://www.iienet.org/chapters/006/) - for industrial engineering

Society of Manufacturing Engineers - <http://chapters.sme.org/061/>

### Career Based Networking

Crossroads Christ Centered Career Group/North Point Community Church Career Searchers

[www.crossroadscareer.org](http://www.crossroadscareer.org)

<http://finance.groups.yahoo.com/group/C3G/>

RE: Focus On Careers

[www.refocusoncareers.com](http://www.refocusoncareers.com)

It is run by Debbie Rodkin, so it is great – large crowds, good events.

The Parkway Business Network

<http://finance.groups.yahoo.com/group/parkwaybusinessnetwork>

Cummings, GA - Great for Gwinnett County networkers, (2nd and 4th Wednesday 7AM)

The Career Ministry

[www.careerministry.org](http://www.careerministry.org)

Atlanta, GA – Another excellent group for job networking (1st & 3rd Thursdays 6:30PM).

The Roswell Methodist Church Job Network

[www.rumcjobnetworking.com](http://www.rumcjobnetworking.com)

[www.groups.yahoo.com/group/RUMCjobnet/](http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/RUMCjobnet/)

Roswell, GA - Excellent group for job networking (Every 2nd & 4th Monday 6PM)

Transfiguration Catholic Church CareerCare Ministry

[www.transfiguration.com/ministry\\_careercare.htm](http://www.transfiguration.com/ministry_careercare.htm)

Marietta, GA – (Every Monday 7PM)

Atlanta Seekers

[www.groups.yahoo.com/group/atlanta\\_seekers/](http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/atlanta_seekers/)

Dunwoody, GA – (Every Friday 7:30AM. at Fuddruckers in Dunwoody)

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### Miscellaneous Networking

I also recommend the various local chapters of ...

The Chamber of Commerce - [www.metroatlantachamber.com](http://www.metroatlantachamber.com) - <http://www.gnfcc.com/>

The Better Business Bureau - [www.atlanta.bbb.org](http://www.atlanta.bbb.org)

The Rotary Club

The Lions Club

The Kiwanis Club

For social and business, look at the following clubs, they are great for business events and networking.  
Atlanta Society ([Buckhead Club](#), [Ravinia Club](#), [191 Club](#), etc...) - [www.atlantasociety.com](http://www.atlantasociety.com)

### General

American Payroll Association - [www.americanpayroll.org](http://www.americanpayroll.org)

American Society for Training and Development - [www.astdatlanta.org](http://www.astdatlanta.org)

APICS (The Association for Operations Management) - [www.apicsatlanta.org](http://www.apicsatlanta.org) - (Atlanta Chapter)

Association of Fund-Raisers and Direct Sellers - [www.afrds.org](http://www.afrds.org)

ASM International - [www.asm-atlanta.org](http://www.asm-atlanta.org) - Materials engineers and scientists (Atlanta Chapter)

Atlanta Ad Club - [www.creativityatlanta.org](http://www.creativityatlanta.org) - Atlanta advertising community

Atlanta Association of Insurance Professionals (AAIP) - [www.aaip1988.org](http://www.aaip1988.org)

Atlanta Bar Association - [www.atlantabar.org](http://www.atlantabar.org)

Atlanta Business League - [www.atlantabusinessleague.org](http://www.atlantabusinessleague.org) – minority owned business networking

Atlanta Business School Alliances - [www.atlantabsa.com](http://www.atlantabsa.com) - Networking for MBAs

Atlanta Jaycees - [www.jciatlanta.org](http://www.jciatlanta.org) - Young professionals network

Atlanta Press Club - [www.atlantapressclub.org](http://www.atlantapressclub.org) – for the journalism community

Atlanta Women's Network - [www.atlantawomensnetwork.org](http://www.atlantawomensnetwork.org) -

ATP (Atlanta Telecom Professional) - [www.telecompros.org](http://www.telecompros.org) – Telco professionals

BNI (Business Networking International) [http://www.homeatlanta.com/bni\\_networking\\_group\\_atlanta.htm](http://www.homeatlanta.com/bni_networking_group_atlanta.htm)

BuckHead Business Association - [www.buckheadbusiness.org](http://www.buckheadbusiness.org)

CCNG (Call Center Networking Group) - [www.ccng.com](http://www.ccng.com) - Connecting People in the Call Center world.

CRMA (Customer Relations Management Association) - [www.crma-atlanta.org](http://www.crma-atlanta.org) – (Atlanta Chapter)

Georgia Center for Nonprofits - [www.gcn.org](http://www.gcn.org)

Georgia Press Club - [www.gapress.org](http://www.gapress.org) – Newspaper association

Georgia Retail Association - [www.georgiaretail.org](http://www.georgiaretail.org)

Georgia Society of Professional Engineers - [www.gspe.org](http://www.gspe.org)

Georgia Society of CPAs (GSCPA) - [www.gscpa.org](http://www.gscpa.org)

IEEE Communication Society - [www.comsoc.org/atlanta/](http://www.comsoc.org/atlanta/) - Telecommunication

NAMBO (National Association of Women Business Owners) - <http://www.nawbo-atlanta.org/>

NetParty Atlanta - [www.netparty.com](http://www.netparty.com) - Young Business Professionals

Network of Indian Professionals (NetIP) Atlanta – [www.netipatlanta.org](http://www.netipatlanta.org)

Public Relations Society of America - [www.prssa.org](http://www.prssa.org) - [www.prsageorgia.org](http://www.prsageorgia.org) – (Atlanta Chapter)

Southern Association of Wholesale Distributors - [www.the-southern.org](http://www.the-southern.org)

STC (Society for Technology Communications) - [www.stcatlanta.org](http://www.stcatlanta.org) – (Atlanta Chapter)

WITI (Women in Technology International) - <http://www.witi.com/atlanta/> - not the same as TAG's WIT

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**Thank you!**

We publish this yearly, so make sure you check all events and times, since they often change.

If you attend an organization/event and would like to comment on it, we would love to hear about it.  
If there is an organization with events that you feel should be on here, please let us know.

This material is free and we hope you use it. If you would please mention to people that it was provided by National Personnel, I would greatly appreciate it.

Finally, if I can assist you in your networking, please don't hesitate to ask.

Thank you,  
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