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## FOUNDATION TO PROMOTE WORLD TRADE

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A group of Ohio businessmen is launching a nonprofit foundation to promote education and training in international trade, and boost Ohio's business prospects overseas.

The Ohio Foundation Inc. has obtained state and federal designations as a nonprofit, charitable organization, and intends to kick off fund-raising activities by August, said **Keith M. Karr**, president and general counsel.

The foundation plans to offer college scholarships for students specializing in international trade, internships at Ohio companies for foreigners, workshops and seminars on world trade and competitiveness, and other programs, Karr said.

A special focus will be to enhance Ohio business opportunities in central and Eastern Europe, Karr said.

"We want to bring Ohio and central Europe closer together. We want to open up the door for Ohio businesses to go into central and Eastern Europe, to expand markets for Ohio products," he said.

A co-founder of The Ohio Foundation is Glen W. Allen, a former state director of international trade and longtime executive secretary of the Ohio Commodores, a group of businessmen interested in expanding foreign trade prospects.

Other trustees include three northeastern Ohio business executives: Alan Fejes, president of Flo-Tork Inc.; Paul C. Miller Jr., president of Duramax Inc.; and Jack H. Schron, chairman of Jergens Inc.

The foundation will have a seven-member board, Karr said.

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