St. Louis’ bioscience innovation community is among the strongest in the country. World-class institutions, hospitals, universities and corporations, bolstered by an entrepreneurial spirit, are the backbone of our economy.

BioSTL drives this innovation economy and elevates St. Louis’ leadership in solving important world challenges in agriculture, medicine, health care and technology through a comprehensive set of nationally-acclaimed, transformational programs in startup creation and investment, strategic business attraction, physical environment, entrepreneur support, seed and venture capital, a diverse and inclusive workforce, and public policy. JPMorgan Chase & ICIC have named BioSTL a model for building a Regional Innovation Cluster.

HIGHLIGHTS

BIОGENERATOR: STARTUP CREATION AND INVESTMENT
The investment arm of BioSTL creates, grows, and invests in promising companies and entrepreneurs. It de-risks commercially-viable innovations; recruits and advises leadership teams; makes staged investments grounded in rigorous due diligence; and provides free access to wet lab space and research equipment at the BioGenerator Labs. Entrepreneur development programming provides a customized, one-on-one business learning experience, including entrepreneurial coaching and resources for company founders from academic and industry communities, at no cost. BioGenerator helps companies navigate the unique challenges of early-stage bioscience company development. The Organization of American States has named BioGenerator a Best Practice for the Western Hemisphere.

GLOBALSTL: STRATEGIC INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS ATTRACTION
BioSTL’s international initiative recruits high-growth companies that enrich and expand St. Louis’ innovation economy and bring competitive advantage to local corporations and health systems. GlobalSTL attracts companies that match St. Louis’ strengths in food/agriculture, healthcare, and cyber security, financial, and industrial technologies. GlobalSTL serves as a navigator to St. Louis’ world-class corporate and innovation ecosystem and introduces oversees innovators to major customers and strategic partners to drive business growth in North America. The Brookings Institution has named GlobalSTL a Model for American Cities Going International.