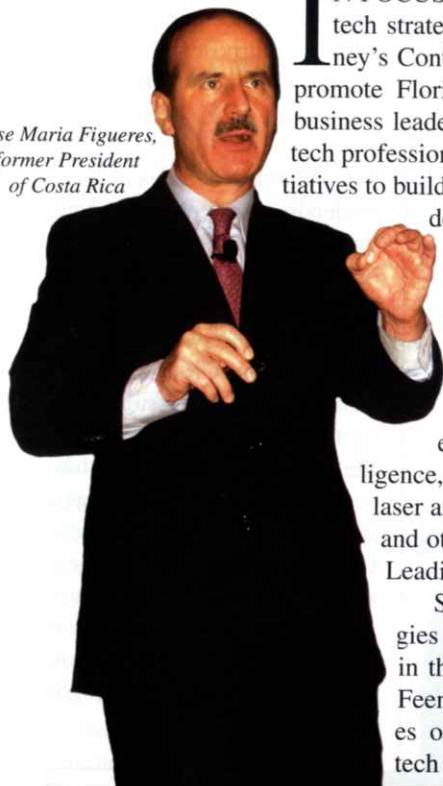


Technology takes center stage in Florida

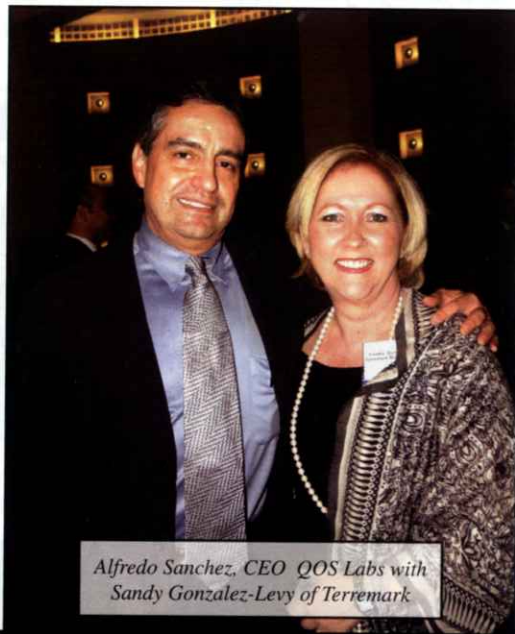
IN FOCUS Magazine was on hand as ITFlorida rolled out its statewide high-tech strategic planning initiative at the recent ITFlorida awards gala at Disney's Contemporary Resort. The initiative focuses on identifying policies to promote Florida's IT-enabled industries. Public officials, business leaders, economic development leaders, and high tech professionals evaluated proposals for key statewide initiatives to build on the key successes in Florida over the past decade.

Jose Maria Figueres, former President of Costa Rica



Jose Maria Figueres, former President of Costa Rica and a leader on global technology policy, provided the keynote address on economic transformation in a global marketplace. Florida has an opportunity to build on and optimally integrate its growing IT-enabled industries, whether artificial intelligence, biotechnology, digital media, eCommerce, laser and fiber optics, simulation, space technology, and other yet to be defined emerging technologies. Leading industry experts, including Sundar

Subramaniam, CEO of Cambridge Technologies in Boston addressed Florida's opportunities in the 2007-2010 timeframe. Congressman Tom Feeney delivered his keynote on the key successes of, and challenges facing, Florida's high tech development.



Alfredo Sanchez, CEO QOS Labs with Sandy Gonzalez-Levy of Terremark



Donny Barstow of MCC Innovations, Richard Kearney, CEO of Mainline Information Systems, Chapin Frazee and Tom DiGiacomo of Infinity



Sundar Subramaniam-CELLEXCHANGE and event presenter



Sara Misselhorn with the Office of the Governor-WPB and Jennifer Hartzler, a Gubernatorial Fellow



IT Florida Board Members Jim Albert of Idea integration and Caroline Crawford CSX Technology



Matt Doster-Director - IT Florida

Matt Ryncarz, CEO of eLayaway, the awardee for small tech-business of the year

