Exhibitor Prospectus



MIDWEST IFT 2 Events for the Price of 1

Suppliers' Symposium & EXPO

10 November 2020 | 8:30 AM-4:30

Join Chicago and Minnesota Sections in a VIRTUAL EXPERIENCE



Chicago Section Institute of Food Technologists



Minnesota Section

Institute of Food Technologists

Midwest IFT Virtual Symposium & Expo

Why Virtual?

The governors of both Minnesota and Illinois are not expected to open convention centers or meetings with large groups before 2021.

Why not just cancel?

Sections depend upon revenue from their Expos to fund their other activities. Exhibitors still need to sell products/services and companies still need to purchase their products.

We also don't know how long it will be until we can meet in large groups in person again.

The Mission of the Minnesota and Chicago Sections of IFT is to support a vibrant and active Midwest food science and technology community. Suppliers' Expo events are also a key driver of scholarship and endowment contributions for students and academic programs. Please help us support our students!





Join the Chicago and Minnesota Sections of IFT at the 1st ever Midwest IFT Virtual Symposium and Expo











More than 1,000 Attendees







Why Participate? 2 Expo Audiences for the Price of 1

- Virtual booth space. Share details about your organization including videos, brochures, links, photos, and more.
- Searchable Product Categories and online exhibitor guide Exhibiting companies will be listed by product/service by searchable product categories in addition to the pdf Exhibitor Guide.
- * Access to leads. Attendees can share their information with you via a virtual business card when visiting your 'booth'. Each exhibitor will receive the complete attendee list after the event.
- Chat content access. The text content of any attendee who you 'chat' with in your 'booth' is saved and can be downloaded after the event so you know exactly what was said and to whom for follow up.





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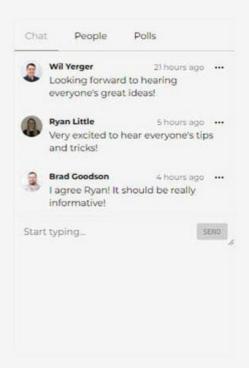
- * Schedule appointments. Review the online attendee list and invite attendees to schedule a private appointment during the event and for up to 12 months after the event. Includes "Face to face" private meetings between exhibitor booth personnel and attendees.
- * Showcase your company. As a sponsor, you will be featured on the exhibitor listing page. Exhibitors can "reserve" rooms to share a presentation, conduct a demonstration, or give a virtual tour. Limited space available.
- Networking. Visit "networking" room and "invite" attendees to visit your booth.
- Access to platform for 12 months. Continue to make contacts all year long.





Face-to-Face Meetings







Chicago Section
Institute of Food Technologists



Minnesota Section Institute of Food Technologis®

Dedicated Exhibitor Hall Hours

- * 8:30 AM 9:30 AM: Panel Presentation
- 9:30-11:00 AM: Exhibit Hall
- * 11:00 AM 12:00 PM: Break-Out Session 1
- 12:00 PM 1:00 PM: Exhibit Hall
- 1:00 PM 2:00 PM: Break-Out Session 2
- 2:00 PM 3:30 PM: Exhibit Hall

Exhibit Hall Open 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

4 Hours Dedicated to Exhibitor Hall Time















Description



Since 1995, we've provided the conference and trade-show industry with proven technologies designed to improve and simplify every event. Our technologies help event planners with Event Registration, Lead Retrieval, Attendance Tracking, Mobile Apps and Hotel Site Selection. With unrivaled customer support, global reach, and an eye on innovation, we've powered over 12,000 events around the world. Events are hard, we make them easy.



Business Categories

VIRTUAL EVENTS EVENT TECHNOLOGY







Company Website

HTTPS://GTRNOW.COM/

Social Media

HTTPS://WWW.LINKEDIN.COM/COMPANY/434100

Exhibitor Brochures

EXHIBITOR BROCHURE







Matt Caputo

Marketing Manager



Director of Enterprise



Event Technology

Consultant





Business Development Manager



Travis Tucker



Showcases

Sponsored By GTR: 11 Ways To Get the Media To Chase YOU For Interviews





(3 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (Thu, Dec 17)



1. Organization Heading

2. Organization Profile

3. Showcased Sessions

4. Live Interaction with Staff

5. Request More Information

6. Manage Your Profile

See details on next page



1 Organization Heading

The first thing a prospective customer will see when they visit your booth. This includes:

- Organization Name
- Logo
- Exhibitor Type
- Sponsor Level





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Exhibitor Brochures

EXHIBITOR BROCHURE

2 Profile

Your profile can contain a limitless amount of information that is available to share with anyone who stops by your booth. Here are just a few examples:

- Description of your organization
- Tags and/or keywords the event host has provided
- Add a video
- Upload brochures, documents, and sales collateral
- Add social links
- And other fields your event organizer has allowed

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3 Showcased Sessions

If you are showcasing or sponsoring any sessions during the event, they will be listed here on your booth page. These will show:

- Session name with a link directly to the session
- Time and date of session
- Speaker name(s) and headshot(s)
- Logo of your organization that will also be showcased in main event agenda





ENTER TRADESHOW BOOTH





Matt Caputo Marketing Manager



Brad Farrar Director of Enterprise Accounts



Justin Sumwalt
Event Technology
Consultant



Brian Theno Business Development Manager

4 Live Interaction with Staff

During "exhibiting hours" your staff can broadcast from their office site, warehouse, home, studio or wherever they may be at the time. This is a great opportunity to:

- Get face-to-face with your prospects and existing customers
- Present your offering to anyone who enters your virtual booth space
- Have the opportunity to move into a 1:1 meeting and close the deal





5 Request More Information

Anyone who requests information will come into your lead portal. From here you will be able to view, download, and import directly into your CRM:

- Details of their request
- Time and date of request
- First Name
- Last Name
- Company
- Title
- Email Address
- Phone Number (if available)









6 Manage Your Profile

This is only available to you and your organization's staff. From here you can fully customize your page and manage other features such as:

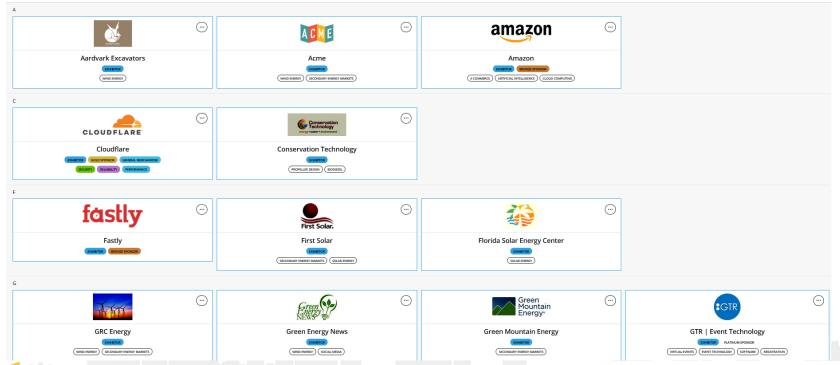
- Assign or remove booth staff
- Create and manage polls
- Add additional downloadable files
- View and download leads
- View and download booth visits







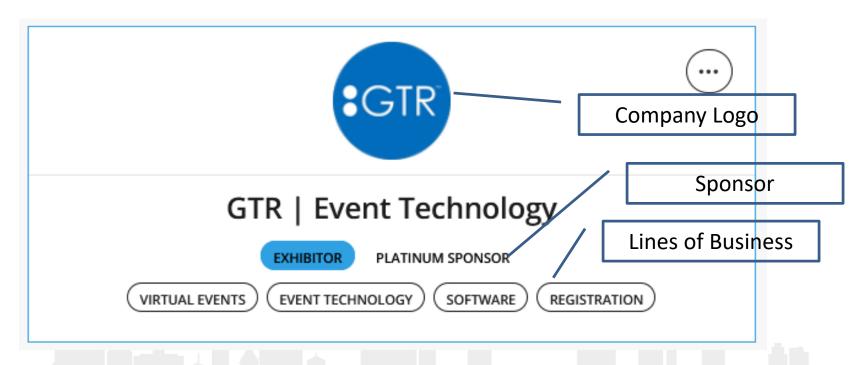
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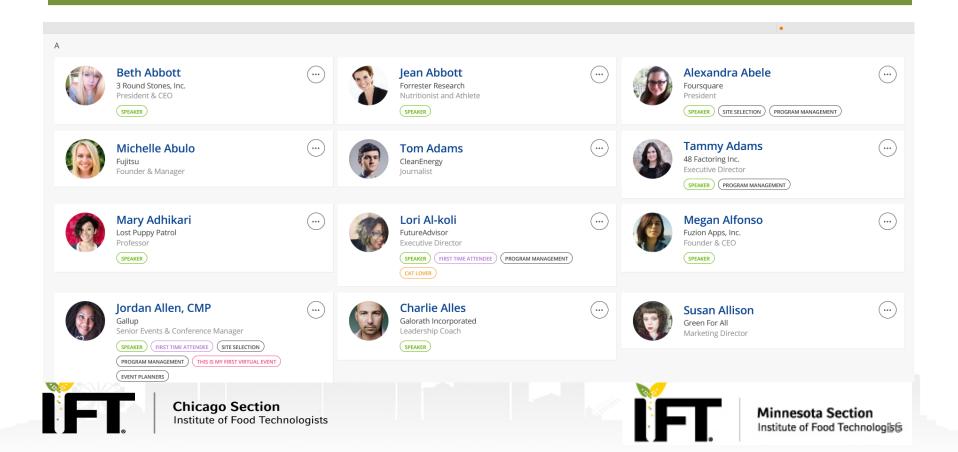
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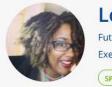




People – listing by attendee, speaker, and exhibitor



Attendee Information



Lori Al-koli

FutureAdvisor Executive Director

SPEAKER

FIRST TIME ATTENDEE

Events she has signed up for

About Me

I am looking forward to the educational sessions and the networking opportunities at the summit!

Ribbons

SPEAKER

FIRST TIME ATTENDEE

Tags

PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

Personal Interests

CAT LOVER





Alexandra Abele Foursquare



Lori Al-koli

(1) 12:15 PM - 12:30 PM (Wed, Dec 16)

POSTERS

Shape + Support your Speaking through Hands-On Materials



Lori Al-koli FutureAdvisor

① 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM (Fri, Dec 18)









Sponsor Recognition

Platinum Sponsor



Gold Sponsor





Bronze Sponsors









GE Appliances, a Haier company



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Sponsorship Opportunities

| Sponsor Benefits / Opportunities | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Individual |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------|
| Logo and link on section websites and marketing | Х | X | X | |
| Featured exhibitor on event website | Х | X | X | |
| Ad in the pdf exhibitor guide | Full page (\$250) | Half page (\$125) | Logo ad (\$50) | See prices |
| Listing as sponsor in exhibitor guide | Х | X | X | |
| Participation in Product Showcase | Х | | | \$300.00 |
| Dedicated eblast to all contacts / attendees | Х | | | \$500.00 |
| Cost | \$750.00 | \$500.00 | \$250.00 | |

Note: Chicago Section IFT Expo Sponsors who transferred their November 4, 2020 booth payments to the 2021 Expo are automatically sponsors of the November 10, 2020 Virtual Symposium and Expo. Diamond, Platinum, and Gold sponsors receive Gold sponsor benefits listed below.





What to Expect - Schedule

- Registration for virtual expo will open the week of August 24
- 2-3 weeks before the expo (Oct 14-21), all registered exhibitors will have access to begin creating booth content
- 1-2 weeks before the expo a live/recorded training will take place for all exhibitors





Your Thoughts...Questions?

Please share your thoughts, ideas, insights, concerns. Also feel free to contact us:

CSIFT:

- General questions: BusinessOffice@ChicagoIFT.org (Lynnda)
- 2020 refunds/transfers/registration: SuppliersNight@ChicagoIFT.org (Isaiah / Josh)
- Specific platform questions: mcooper@ChicagoIFT.org (Michael)

MNIFT:

- General questions: LynndaNelson@IAMI411.org (Lynnda)
- Registration questions: BusinessOffice@IAMI411.org (Isaiah / Josh)
- Specific platform questions: mcooper@iami411.org (Michael)

Our office is closed until September 18. Phone 906.474.6176 until then. After Sept.18: 630.916.4960 (CSIFT) and 630.268.0656 (MNIFT)



