



2018 Conference Descriptions

Metalcasting Industry Human Resource Conference February 6-9 Clearwater, FL

Senior HR professionals will gather to discuss and hear presentations on topics such as employee relations, health and welfare, leadership, safety and other key issues affecting daily operations.

Attendees: Presidents, Owners and Senior Human Resources Executives

Previous Sponsors: *ATEK Metal Technologies, Buck Co., Castalloy, American Cast Iron Pipe, Customized Energy Solutions, Cumberland Foundry, G & W Electric, Lodge Mfg., Waupaca Foundry Inc.*

Attendance: 50-60

Metal Casting Supply Chain Summit February 7 Chicago, IL

This invitation-only event (sponsor can invite up to five guests), brings together casting purchasing and supply chain professionals.

Previous Sponsors: *Alu-Bra Foundry, Benton Foundry, Bremen Castings Inc., Century Foundry, Charlotte Pipe & Foundry Co., Customized Energy Solutions, Decatur Foundry Inc., Dotson Iron Castings, Eagle Alloy Inc., Goldens' Foundry & Machine Co., MPG-Casting Technologies, Osco Industries Inc., Waupaca Foundry Inc.*

Attendees: Casting design and purchasing professionals

Attendance: 45-60

Metal Casting Supplier Summit February 8 Chicago, IL

This conference targets equipment, consumable and service suppliers to the metalcasting industry.

Attendees: Sales and marketing executives from equipment & raw material companies

Attendance: 40-50

Previous Sponsors: *Customized Energy Solutions, Product Development & Analysis*

122st Metalcasting Congress**April 3-5****Ft. Worth, TX**

The annual Metalcasting Congress shares research, best practices, technical sessions, case studies and business ideas from the industry. The Congress is complemented with exhibits representing the metalcasting supply chain.

Attendees: Metalcasting executives, casting design engineers, casting purchasers, end-users, equipment suppliers and others within the metalcasting industry

Attendance: More than 2,000

Government Affairs Fly-In**May 15-16****Washington, DC**

This conference allows metalcasting advocates to meet with legislators on key issues relating to legislative, regulatory and industry challenges.

Previous Sponsors: *Badger Mining Corporation, Buck Company, Customized Energy Solutions, Denison Industries, EJ, Fairmount Sanitrol, McWane Inc., Oil City Iron Works Inc., Waupaca Foundry Inc.*

Attendees: Presidents, CEOs, owners and senior management executives

Attendance: 90-100

Chapter Officers Conference**August 13-14****Schaumburg, IL**

This summit brings together engaged AFS leaders from local Chapters, the technical/management committee structure and those involved with the various Shared Interested Groups (SIGs) to learn what is expected of them as volunteer leaders, while providing tools and techniques so they can be successful in their career.

Previous Sponsors: *Customized Energy Solutions, Denison Industries, Product Development & Analysis*

Attendees are: AFS Chapter Officers, Division/Committee Leaders, Board Members & Shared Interest Group Chairs

Attendance: 45-50

Additive Manufacturing for Metal Casting**September 10-13****Louisville, KY**

This conference on additive manufacturing (AM) and 3-D printing will focus on how these new emerging technologies are being utilized in the foundry to produce cast components. The conference will cover all aspects AM and 3-D printing in the metalcasting industry, such as printing of sand molds, printing of investment casting waxes, equipment, materials and practical case studies of foundry application and actual castings.

Attendance: 90-100

Previous Sponsors: *ExOne, HA-Intl., Hoosier Pattern, Flowserve, Product Development & Analysis, Solid Thinking, Yxlon, Voxeljet*

Foundry Leadership Conference**September 16-18****Amelia Island, FL**

This conference is the premier meeting for executives and senior management to bring to the forefront ideas and perspectives in running businesses in today's challenging climate.

Previous sponsors: *Badger Mining Corporation, Customized Energy Solutions, General Kinematics Laempe Reich Corp. Simpson Technologies., Sinto,, Waupaca Foundry Inc.*

Attendees: Presidents, CEOs, owners and senior management executives

Attendance: 100-120

30th Environmental, Health & Safety Conference October 9-11 Warrensville Heights, OH

The EHS conference will include the latest updates on important EHS issues facing the metalcasting industry. Areas covered will be Washington legislative and regulatory issues, air, water, waste issues and regulations, OSHA compliance and hot issues such as worker safety and health.

Previous Exhibitors: *Albarrie Environmental Services Ltd., Customized Energy Solutions, Dakota Software, EMSL Analytical, ETA Engineering Inc., Free Flow Technologies Ltd., Haley & Aldrich, HA-International, Hi-Vac, Keramida Inc., Premier Magnesia /Enviroblend, RJ Lee, Schust Engineering, TDJ Group, TRC Environmental Corp*

Attendees: EHS, safety and HR Managers

Attendance: 100 – 110

Aluminum Casting Conference November 5-7 Knoxville, TN

AFS aluminum conference is intended for all those involved in the aluminum casting industry, especially focused on the practicing aluminum foundries to help them produce better quality castings. At the conference, we will have presentations walking through the full casting process, from casting design to finished component, including sessions on; alloys and metallurgy, melting and melt treatment, casting materials and processes, gating, and post casting processes.

Marketing Conference December 11-12 Rosemont, IL

Marketing builds awareness and gets you started, sales brings it home.

You will learn from leading figures in sales and marketing. Your sales and marketing teams will have the opportunity to learn from their peers and explore new ideas about industry best practices. The take-aways from learning sessions and networking opportunities will benefit your team now and in the future as your marketing efforts build your sales pipeline.

AFS is uniquely qualified to understand the challenges of metalcasting sales and marketing departments and to offer an agenda that will prepare you to move forward into 2019.

Attendees: Sales and marketing managers

Attendance 80-90

*** Attendance ranges reflect previous years' participation.*

Previous Exhibitors: *Ask Chemicals, B&L Information Systems, GES, H Group, Express Printing, King Commercial Capital*