

GACC Awards Gala 2016

Friday, October 28, 2016



GACC Award for Excellence in German American Business

“Excellence in Services”

Nomination and Application Information

Purpose: Recognition and promotion of outstanding German-American business achievements in services provided by our members to the German-American business community. One winner will be chosen from the respective membership bases of our three regions: GACC Midwest, GACC NY, and GACC South. Winners will be announced in a press release in early October.

Apply or Nominate a Company Now!

Award Winners will receive:

- Recognition at the GACC Awards Gala before 300 executives and decision makers of the German-American business community
- Announcement of winners in early October and visibility of winners on respective websites
- Announcement in German American Trade magazine (GAT), the magazine of the GACCs
- Company Profile in GACC newsletters throughout the US
- Company Profile on GACC Midwest website and GACCs' AHK USA website www.gaccmidwest.org; www.ahk-usa.com
- Recognition in our annual signature publications, the GACC Midwest Report, the GACC South Annual Report and the GACC NY Economic Yearbook at the end of the year
- A GACC Press Release announcing GACC Awards Winners 2016, distributed to German and local press
- Ongoing recognition at future annual Award ceremonies
- A beautiful crystal award

Eligibility: Companies doing business in the United States and Germany; applicant must be a member of GACC Midwest, GACC NY, and/or GACC South (see individual award requirements). If you are nominating one or more companies, the nominees must have agreed to be submitted and be willing to answer questions pertaining to the award.

Award winners are determined by an independent panel of judges selected from the GACC community. Winners will be publicized in early October. The winning companies are required to be present at the Gala on Friday, October 28, 2016.

Deadline: Nominations must be received **Friday, August 19, 2016.**

Please return the Award Nomination Form with all pertinent supporting documents via email: schmandt@gaccmidwest.org (preferred), fax: (312) 644-0738 or by mail. Please note that the applications/nomination cannot be withdrawn after they have been received by the judging panel on August 26.

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Who should apply for the “Excellence in Services” Award?

Service Providers who have offered outstanding services that have been of great value to the German American business community. Provided services may include accounting, business and intercultural consulting, legal advice, logistics, marketing, translations, and more.

Application Deadline: August 19, 2016

Please return typed answers to the questions below (on a separate sheet), the application/nomination form and all supporting documents to GACC Midwest, attention of Kirsten Schmandt by email to schmandt@gaccmidwest.org (preferred), by mail to the above address, or by fax to (312) 644-0738.

Eligibility Requirement:

For the Service Provider Award, the company must have an established German-American business relationship, i.e. must do business and/or have customers in Germany and the United States. It is not necessary to have offices in both markets. The applicant must be a member of GACC Midwest, GACC NY, and/or GACC South.

QUESTIONS:

PART A) Please answer each of the following questions in 250 words or less (ca. ¼ page per question):

1. Please describe how the company demonstrates excellence in German-American trade.
2. Please describe the company's current financial situation, and how the company has positioned itself for current and future success.
3. What plans and strategies does the company have for the future?
4. Describe one of the company's core values and how it translates into everyday business.

PART B) Please answer each of the following questions in 500 words or less (ca. ½ page per question):

5. Provide a recent client or case history demonstrating excellence in assisting German American trade.
6. What measurable contribution has the company made to German-American trade through its service offering (e.g. number of companies assisted, or trade volume generated or supported)?

Feel free to enclose any promotional material which may support your description of your company's product or service. Please note that this is not mandatory, though highly recommended.



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Please PRINT clearly.

Applicant/Nominee (must be a GACC Midwest, GACC NY, and/or GACC South Member):

Company name:
Address:
City, State, Zip Code:
Telephone:
Fax:
Website:
Member of which GACC(s):
Will attend the Gala on October 28, 2016 <input type="checkbox"/>

Company Profile: *please provide as much information as possible. Not all items will apply to all companies*

Founded in the US (year & state):
Founded in Germany (year & location):
Sales of US Location:
Sales of German Location:
Employees – US:
Germany:
World:
Location of US operation (if applicable):
Location of German operation (if applicable):
Company sector/activity/industry:

Submitted by:

Name:	Company Name (if different):
Telephone:	Email address:
<input type="checkbox"/> (Please check if nominating another company) <i>The nominee has been informed of the nomination and will attend.</i>	