



### PARTNER WITH US

### **2025 ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES**







### **ABOUT GACC MIDWEST**



Founded in 1963, the German American Chamber of Commerce® of the Midwest serves German and international companies with experience, connections and services in 14 states: the 13 states of the Midwest and Colorado. Included in our service area are Chicagoland and Metro Detroit, which contain the two largest clusters of German subsidiaries in the US.

Partnering with GACC Midwest gives your company exposure in the German American business community, where opportunities for international collaboration and innovation abound. In turn, our partnerships support our mission of fostering trade and investment between Germany and the United States.

### **OUR AUDIENCE**

- **98** % are decision-makers in upper management
- of member companies are headquartered in the US
- **75** % have both German and American customers

### Automotive, • Eco

- ManufacturingMachinery, Automation
- Trade, Freight Forwarding
- Professional
- · Electronics, IT

Services

• Economic Development, Public Sector, Non-Profits

OUR NETWORK

- · Finance, Accounting
- Healthcare, Pharma, Chemical
- Food, Agriculture, Consumer
- Legal

- Events, Travel, Tourism, Culture
- Building, Construction, Real Estate
- IHK Network in Germany
- Other

### WHY PARTNER WITH US?



### **OUR UNIQUE NETWORK**

Engage with like-minded professionals from corporate enterprises, mid-size companies, and innovative start-ups.



### TARGETED BUSINESS COMMUNICATION

Reach your desired audience through various event formats and marketing channels.



### A PROVEN TRACK RECORD FOR OVER 60 YEARS

Gain business connections, referrals, brand awareness, sales growth, leads, and more.

### **STATS & FACTS**

Founded in

1963

14
States

620+
Members

100+

Annual events and programs in the US

2,100+

Event attendees p. a.

9

Business delegation trips to and from the US per year

174k

Website views per year

>1,000

Yearly business inquiries

### **KEY EVENTS**

Q <sub>1</sub>	Feb 27-28	German American Executive Summit (Orlando, FL)
	Mar 05	German American Business Outlook IL
	Mar 06	German American Business Outlook MI
	Mar 11	German American Business Outlook MO
	Mar 19	Connection Series IL
	Mar 20	Connection Series MI
Q <sub>2</sub>	Apr 22	Annual Meeting of Members
	May 21	White Asparagus Dinner
	Jun 18	Connection Series IL
	Jun 25	Connection Series MI
	July 24	German American Business Forum (DAWT)
Q <sub>3</sub>	Sep 10	Connection Series IL
	Sep 17	Connection Series MI
04	Oct 17	GACC Midwest Annual Gala
<b>Q4</b>		
	Nov 12	Connection Series IL
	Nov 19	Connection Series MI
	Nov 20	'Twas the Night Before Christkindlmarket
	TBD 2025	Next-Level Apprenticeships: Study Trip to Germany

### **MEDIA & MARKETING**

Unleash your full potential: Gain new business and advertise with GACC Midwest!

At GACC Midwest, we offer exclusive advertising opportunities for members to showcase their products and services. Choose from a variety of options, including traditional print in the GACC Midwest Report and dynamic digital features such as LinkedIn spotlights, newsletter features, website banners, and more. Share your success story, innovations, or business focus with our network.



### LinkedIn

Followers: 11,000+ Post Impressions: 600k+

Avg. impressions per post: 1,260+ Article engagement rate: 4.3%



### **Newsletter**

Subscribers: 5,000+ Opening rate: > 40%



### Websit

Visitors: 63,000+ p.a. Page views: 174,000+ p.a.

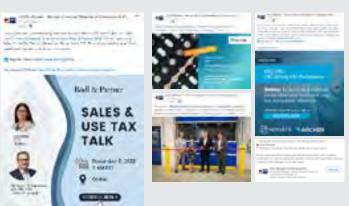
### SIGNATURE PUBLICATION: MIDWEST REPORT





- Increased distribution & reach at member/partner locations
- · Hard copy sent to all corporate members
- Digital copy available year-round
- · Generate new leads and business partners

### LINKEDIN - POSTS & ARTICLES



### **LINKEDIN POSTS**

 Promote your company: company expansion, trade show presence, job postings, events, etc.



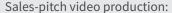


### **Topics:**

- Manufacturing
- Energy
- Startups
- Economic outlooks
- and more...

### VIDEO PRODUCTION





Option 1: Video briefing + editing + distribution (YouTube), 90 sec, 2 versions - branded & unbranded

Option 2: Incl. option 1 plus video shooting (filming at GACC Midwest office or member location - travel cost may occur)

### LINKEDIN ARTICLES

- Get featured in one of our industry deep dives
- Showcase your business relevance and services
- Content creation and distribution by GACC (website & LinkedIn)



### **MEDIA & MARKETING**

### **WEBSITE**

Website Banners: Showcase your company on our homepage and relevant landing pages with a variety of banner options.



### LEADERBOARD BANNER:

- Animated (shows multiple images)
- Fixed placement at the top of the page



### PICTURE & TEXT SLIDER:

- Static image
- Rotating slider within GACC news section



- Static image
- One feature within GACC premium partner ad section



- Animated (shows multiple images)
- Flexible placement it can be added anywhere on the page

### INFO HUB





Publish your company's white papers, research, articles, news, videos, downloads, podcasts, etc.

### **NEWSLETTER**

**Executive Update:** 

- 12 editions p.a.
- 5,500 subscribers

**Events Newsletter:** 

- -26 editions p.a.
- 4,000 subscribers





### NEWSLETTER SPONSOR

- Become our first newsletter sponsor for the monthly Executive Update or bi-weekly Events Update
- Exclusive to one sponsor per newsletter p.a.



### NEWSLETTER BANNERS

- Promote your events, products, and services
- High visibility and linked out to your website



### **NEWSLETTER FEATURE**

- Promote your event, service, or news
- Short description and call to action

### **MEDIA & MARKETING**

MEDIUM	OPTION	PRICE
Midwest Report	2 page advertorial	\$2,200
	1 page advertisement	\$2,200
	1 page advertorial	\$1,900
	1/2 page advertisement	\$1,300
	Inside front cover	\$3,850
	Inside back cover	\$3,850
<b>LinkedIn</b> Organic Posts	4 posts	\$1,400
	6 posts	\$1,800
Article	1 edition	\$1,800
<b>Website</b> Leaderboard Homepage Banner	3 months*	\$1,700
Billboard banner (top, middle, bottom page)	3 months*	\$1,300- \$1,700
Picture & Text Slider	3 months*	\$1,500
Logo Wall	3 months*	\$1,300
Info Hub Feature	3 months*	\$750
<b>Newsletter</b> Sponsor	Executive update, 12 editions	\$5,500
	Events update, 26 editions	\$6,500
Banner	1 edition	\$900-\$1,200
Feature	1 edition	\$950
Video Production Option 1	Briefing, editing, distribution,in-person video production	\$1,500
Option 2	Option 1 plus filming	\$2,500
Individualized Services	Customized campaigns and Ad Creation	Talk to us!

\*Extended options available.



### **PARTNERSHIP LEVELS**

**PLATINUM PARTNER** is awarded to sponsors making a commitment to GACC Midwest of at least \$25,000 per calendar year. GACC Midwest is pleased to honor sponsors committing to the PLATINUM PARTNER level for **3 calendar years** by offering PLATINUM PARTNER level at a total of \$60,000 for the next 3 calendar years.

**SUSTAINING PARTNER** is awarded to sponsors making a commitment to GACC Midwest of at least \$12,500 per calendar year. GACC Midwest is pleased to honor sponsors committing to the SUSTAINING PARTNER level for **3 calendar years** by offering SUSTAINING PARTNER level at a total of \$30,000 for the next 3 calendar years.

Partnership support on PLATINUM and SUSTAINING Levels **include** the following EXCLUSIVE BENEFITS:

	Platinum Partner	Sustaining Partner
PARTNERSHIP LEVEL	≥ \$25,000	≥ \$12,500
EXCLUSIVE Logo Presence Package	\$2,000	\$1,000
Logo recognition in GACC Midwest Newsletters	X	
Logo recognition on GACC Midwest Website	X	
Logo recognition on Digital Reception Screens	Χ	
Logo recognition on Video Call background (senior management)	Х	
Logo recognition on Partner Wall in office reception area	X	Χ
Logo recognition on Key Event Signage and programs	X	Χ
Logo recognition in Signature Publications	X	Χ
Premium profile in National Membership Directory	Χ	X







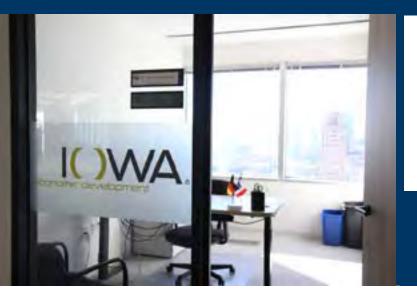
Print Media



Website & Newsletter

### **MEMBER LANDING SPOTS**

Complimentary access to our Member Landing Spots is extended to all members of the GACCs. Our members can utilize this space for work during their visits to Chicago. Elevate your company's visibility by becoming an Office Branding Partner, showcasing your logo and materials in our Member Landing Spot offices.



### **FREQUENCY**

Throughout the year

### LOCATION

GACC Midwest Office, Chicago, IL

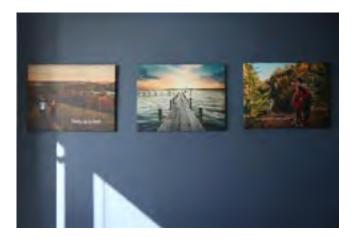
### **AUDIENCE**

GACC member companies and guests, delegation visitors, and on site VIPs

### **YOUR BENEFITS**

- Your enlarged company logo on the office door window
- Year-round branding: your products, service information, and merchandise in your member landing spot

"As a proud GACC member, I have the amazing perk of booking a 'Membership Landing Spot' at their stunning Chicago office twice a month. The view is breathtaking, and it's such a joy to connect with both locals and fellow Germans in person." - Karin Knecht, Dunamis Coaching and Consulting





\$6,000 TALK TO US!



### **GERMAN AMERICAN EXECUTIVE SUMMIT**

Join us for the first-ever **German American Executive Summit** taking place Feb 27 – 28, 2025, in Orlando, Florida. This premier event unites the German American Business Community from across the US.

Gain first-hand insights on the **2025 German American Business Outlook** results presented during the conference, and celebrate the **2025 German American Business Awards** at our gala dinner to close off this flagship event. Expand your network, strengthen business relationships, and engage in cross-cultural collaboration.



### **FREQUENCY**

NEW! February 27-28, 2025

### **LOCATION**

Wyndham Hotel Bonnet Creek, Orlando, FL

### **AUDIENCE**

100 – 150 C-Suite executives, industry leaders, entrepreneurs, and professionals

### **YOUR BENEFITS**

- Premier networking hub
- Expert keynotes & panel discussions
- Business growth

- Unlock opportunities
- Strengthen ties

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

### **Networking Reception**

Kick off with evening refreshments and key insights from industry leaders.



### **Insightful Keynotes**

Hear from experts on transatlantic trade and the US economic climate.



### **In-depth Panels**

Dive into discussions on transatlantic investments, the future of AI, and beyond.



### **Gala & Awards**

Celebrate achievements with a gala dinner, awards ceremony, and networking.









### GERMAN AMERICAN 20 EXECUTIVE SUMMIT 25



Benefits	Premium Sponsor	Conference Sponsor	Exclusive German Business Awards Dinner Sponsor
Cost	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Listing in press release & announcement during the official opening speech	~	1	
Exclusive logo placement & acknowledgement	during the evening reception, and during the welcome remarks of the GABO conference & panel discussions	during the welcome remarks of the GABO conference & panel discussions	exclusive branding of Gala, e.g. display of promotional material, and welcoming remarks at the Gala
Speaker slot (if applicable)	~		+
Exhibition space for promotional materials and giveaways	~	~	~
Logo printed on event name tags	-	+	-
Online logo placement on event & registration website	~	~	1
Logo placement on all marketing & event materials (digital & print)	~	1	~
Logo placement on signs & presentation screens at the venue (digital & print)	/	~	-
Free admission to the German American Executive Summit 2025 (Incl. Evening Reception, Conference, German Business Awards Dinner - worth: \$599 each)	2	1	1



### SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES



Benefits	Exclusive Reception Sponsor	Coffee Break Sponsor	Luncheon Sponsor
Cost	\$5,000	\$ 2,750	\$ 4,000
Listing in press release & announcement during the official opening speech		-	
Exclusive logo placement & acknowledgement	~	~	~
Speaker slot	X	+	+
Exhibition space for promotional materials and giveaways	~	~	~
Logo printed on event name tags	X	*	-
Online logo placement on event & registration website	1	~	1
Logo placement on all marketing & event materials (digital & print)	1	1	~
Logo placement on signs & presentation screens at the venue (digital & print)	1	<b>/</b>	1
Free admission to the German American Executive Summit 2025 (Incl. Evening Reception, Conference, German Business Awards Dinner - worth: \$599)	1	1.	1



### SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES



Benefits	Lanyard Sponsor	Online Sponsor
Cost	\$0 \$3,500	\$2,000
Listing in press release & announcement during the official opening speech		-
Exclusive logo placement & acknowledgement	exclusive provider of tanyards with your company logo, for name tags of all conference participants	,
Speaker slot		
Exhibition space for promotional materials and giveaways		
Logo printed on event name tags	exclusive provider of lanyards with your company logo for name tags of all conference participants	=
Online logo placement on event & registration website	~	~
Logo placement on all marketing & event materials (digital & print)	/	~
Logo placement on signs & presentation screens at the venue (digital & print)	-	~
Free admission to the German American Executive Summit 2025 (Incl. Evening Reception, Conference, German Business Awards Dinner - worth: \$599)	ī	# F



### **GERMAN AMERICAN BUSINESS OUTLOOK - REGIONAL**

The German American Business Outlook (GABO) is an **essential economic indicator** that provides annual insights into the perspectives of German subsidiaries operating in the U.S. The survey covers topics such as economic outlook, investment climate, business challenges, and opportunities in the United States.

Results of this survey will be analyzed and commented by experts during the GABO event, which will feature **a panel discussion and networking session**. Gain insights into what to expect from the year - showcase your business to a broad audience as a



### **FREQUENCY**

Annually
IL: March 5, 2025
MI: March 6, 2025
MO: March 11, 2025

### LOCATION

IL: HARTING (Elgin)
MI: TRUMPF Showroom
(Plymouth)
MO: MilliporeSigma
(St. Louis)

### **AUDIENCE**

50-60 business professionals and executives from German American companies

### **YOUR BENEFITS**

- Company exposure on LinkedIn
- Thought-leadership driven exposure
- In-person connections
- Brand visibility and publicity

### A LOOK BACK AT 2024

### 60%

were decision makers within their company



### 6

states were present at GABO Illinois and Michigan



### 140

guests in attendance at GABO Illinois and Michigan



### 12,700+

impressions across LinkedIn and our newsletter







### **GERMAN AMERICAN BUSINESS OUTLOOK**

		GABO IL, MI, MO OPPORTUNITIES*	
		SOLD OUT IN IL Official Event Sponsor	Supporting Sponsor
PACKAGE	INCLUDES	(limit 2)	(limit 3)
		\$5,000	\$3,000
HIGHLIGHTS	Tickets to German American Business Outlook	2	1
	Verbal partner recognition during event	Χ	Х
PRE-EVENT	Marketing Package: Logo placement on event webpage, targeted mailings, GACC Midwest office welcome screen	X	Х
	Company tag and logo on LinkedIn	≥ 4 posts	≥ 2 posts
AT EVENT	Logo placement: Event handout, print marketing and networking displays	X	Х
	Optional: Company marketing displays/ materials	X	
POST-EVENT	Attendee "Thank You" email with company logo	X	X
	Event recap LinkedIn post with company tag	Χ	Χ

\*Opportunities for each state



and logo



### **CONNECTION SERIES**

The Connection Series is a unique, **industry-focused networking** initiative **in Illinois and Michigan**. It offers exclusive connections and company insights by going behind the scenes at our members' facilities.

By supporting the Connection Series, your company gains exposure to one of the largest German American business communities in the Midwest. You can directly engage with your target audience, with industry peers and business professionals.



### **FREQUENCY**

Once per quarter in Illinois & Michigan

### LOCATION

Illinois & Michigan: manufacturing facilities, showrooms, experience centers

### **AUDIENCE**

25 to 50 experts, professionals, and executives across various industries per event

### **YOUR BENEFITS**

- In-person connections
- Year-round LinkedIn exposure
- Event opening remarks
- Company publicity

	CONNECTION SERIES IL	CONNECTION SERIES MI
	Official Event Sponsor	Official Event Sponsor
INCLLIDES	(limit 2)	(limit 2)
INCLUDES	\$7,500	\$7,500
Tickets per Connection Series event	- 10.001.	D <sup>2</sup> OU!
Event opening remarks	SOLUX	SOLD <sub>X</sub> <sup>2</sup> OUT!
Marketing Package: Logo placement on event webpage, targeted mailings, GACC Midwest office welcome screen	X	X
Company tag and logo on LinkedIn	≥ 12 posts	≥ 12 posts
Logo placement on opening presentation slide OR verbal recognition	Х	X
Logo and QR code displayed during networking leading to sponsor website	Х	X
Optional: Company marketing displays/ materials	X	X
Attendee "Thank You" email with company logo	X	Χ
Event recap LinkedIn post with company tag and logo	X	X
	Marketing Package: Logo placement on event webpage, targeted mailings, GACC Midwest office welcome screen  Company tag and logo on LinkedIn  Logo placement on opening presentation slide OR verbal recognition  Logo and QR code displayed during networking leading to sponsor website  Optional: Company marketing displays/materials  Attendee "Thank You" email with company logo  Event recap LinkedIn post with company tag	INCLUDES  Tickets per Connection Series event  Event opening remarks  Marketing Package: Logo placement on event webpage, targeted mailings, GACC Midwest office welcome screen  Company tag and logo on LinkedIn  Logo placement on opening presentation slide OR verbal recognition  Logo and QR code displayed during networking leading to sponsor website  Optional: Company marketing displays/ materials  Attendee "Thank You" email with company logo  Event recap LinkedIn post with company tag



### **EUROPEAN PROFESSIONALS NETWORKING**

The European Professionals Networking (EPN) series serves as the platform for **fostering European business relations**. Open to both emerging talents and seasoned specialists from various industries, this event **provides fresh perspectives and diverse connections** for future collaborations.

A relaxed atmosphere is maintained while interacting with European professionals during **after-hours networking** sessions that occur in the heart of Chicago. By supporting this event, your company gains high-level exposure to Chicago's international business community.



**FREQUENCY** 

LOCATION

**AUDIENCE** 

Quarterly

City of Chicago

70-90 international professionals and experienced specialists per event

### **YOUR BENEFITS**

- In-person connections
- Quarterly LinkedIn exposure
- Event opening remarks
- Company publicity

### 1 REMAINING FOR Q3

### **Official Event Sponsor**

(per event - max 2) \$2.000

		. ,	
HIGHLIGHTS	Tickets per European Professionals Networking	2	
	Event opening remarks	X	

PRE-EVENT	Marketing Package: Logo placement on event webpage, targeted mailings, GACC Midwest office welcome screen	X
	Company tag and logo on LinkedIn	≥ 3 posts per EPN
	Your branding of individual EPNs	X

AT EVENT	Logo and QR code displayed during networking leading to sponsor website	Х
	Product placement at event (if applicable)	X
	Optional: Company marketing displays/ materials	X

POST-EVENT	Attendee "Thank You" email with company logo	X
	Event recap LinkedIn post with company tag and logo	Х



**PACKAGE INCLUDES** 

### **NEW MEMBER WELCOME PACKAGE**

Get your company exposed immediately to all our new members in 2025! This unique opportunity gives you the chance to **add your branded item** in our Welcome Package, which will be the first thing companies joining our network will get to see.

This is **a premier platform** for making initial contact and be recognized as a supporter of new members of the GACC Midwest network. Your company will be one of the exclusive sponsor welcoming the newest members to our German American business network.



### **FREQUENCY**

Throughout the year

### LOCATION

Member locations and online

### **AUDIENCE**

80-100 new corporate members & GACC Midwest network

### **YOUR BENEFITS**

- Branded item in each welcome package sent to new members
- Exposure on LinkedIn
- Company referral in New Member Reception presentation

PACKAGE I	NCLUDES	Welcome Sponsor (limit 8) \$1,500
HIGHLIGHTS	Your branded item in New Member Welcome Package	X
	Quarterly New Member Reception Sponsor	Х
ADDITIONAL BENEFITS	Brand visibility to all new GACC corporate members across the Midwest & Colorado	X
	Monthly company recognition on LinkedIn with tag and post	X
	Company logo and referral in New Member Reception presentation	X
	Logo placement on GACC Midwest office entrance TV screens	X

### **QUARTERLY WEBINAR SERIES**

Launching in 2025, our new quarterly held webinar series is designed to provide participants with expert insights from leading manufacturers in the GACC Midwest network here in the US. **Two series - focusing on German Manufacturing and US Growth** - allow for professionals and experts the chance to tap into topics that provide the most value to them.

This sponsorship opportunity lets you gain high-impact exposure as a thought-leader to transatlantic professionals across various industries. Take this moment to showcase your business to a large audience as a recognized industry player.



### **FREQUENCY**

### **LOCATION**

### **AUDIENCE**

Quarterly, mid-day (for 1 hour) Virtual, in English

20-30 business professionals and executives across various industries per webinar

### **YOUR BENEFITS**

- Event opening remarks (2 min.)
- Year-round exposure on LinkedIn
- Company referral
- Company recognition

GERMAN MANUFACTURING
WEBINAR SERIES

### US GROWTH WEBINAR SERIES

PACKAGE I	INCLUDES	Official Event Sponsor (limit 1)	Official Event Sponsor (limit 1)
		\$5,000	\$5,000
HIGHLIGHT	Event opening remarks	Χ	Χ
PRE-EVENT	Logo placement on event webpage	Х	Χ
	Logo placement on event mailings	Χ	Χ
	Company tag and logo on LinkedIn event posts	Χ	Χ
	Event announcement with sponsor logo on GACC Midwest welcome screen	Х	X
AT EVENT	Logo placement and company contact on opening presentation slide	Х	X
	Verbal company recognition	Χ	Χ
POST-EVENT	Attendee "Thank You" email with company logo and company contact	X	X
	Event recap LinkedIn post with company tag and logo	X	X

### WHITE ASPARAGUS DINNER

The White Asparagus Dinner, established in 2024, features authentic German Spargel exclusively flown in from Germany. The evening highlights a traditional and contemporary fusion of a timeless dish as well as the pillars of warm hospitality and shared laughter. 2025 marks the GACC Midwest commitment to bringing together the German American business community for a lighthearted evening by spreading the joy of the traditional, nostalgic, German springtime dish.

Enjoy an evening of great connections, networking, and meeting potential business partners. A variety of sponsorship opportunities allows you to expose your company and brand to other professionals in the German American business community.



### **FREQUENCY**

Annually, May 21, 2025

### **LOCATION**

Sky on Nine (Rosemont, IL)

### **AUDIENCE**

100-130 attendees of the German American business community

### **YOUR BENEFITS**

- Company exposure on LinkedIn
- Brand visibility and publicity
- Verbal sponsor recognition
- Unique cultural business oriented event

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

36% were decision makers within their company



states were present at the White Asparagus Dinner



60 guests in attendance

at the White **Asparagus Dinner** 



17,900+

impressions across LinkedIn and our newsletter







### WHITE ASPARAGUS DINNER

		Official Event Sponsor	Signature Sponsor	Supporting Sponsor	Networking Sponsor
PACKAGE I	NCLUDES	(limit 2)	(limit 3)	(limit 3)	(limit 6)
		\$10,000	\$6,500	\$2,500	\$1,000
HIGHLIGHTS	Tickets to White Asparagus Dinner	8	8	4	2
	Two drink tickets per guest	Χ	Χ	X	X
	Verbal recognition during GACC opening remarks	Χ	Х	SOLD OUT!	
				001.	
PRE-EVENT	Logo placement on event webpage	Χ	Х	Х	Х
	Logo placement on event mailings	Х	Х	X	Х
	Company tag and logo on LinkedIn event posts	≥8 posts	≥ 6 posts	≥ 3 posts	≥1 posts
	Event announcement with sponsor logo on GACC Midwest welcome screen	Χ			
AT EVENT	Logo placement on event program	Χ	Χ	X	X
	Logo signage displayed during networking	Χ	Χ	X	X
	Your company logo at table	Χ	Χ		
	Logo placement on photo frame	Χ			
POST-EVENT	Attendee "Thank You" email with company logo	Χ	X	X	X
	Event recap LinkedIn post with company tag and logo	Χ	Х	X	Х





### **GACC MIDWEST ANNUAL GALA**

Benefiting the German American Apprenticeship & Education Foundation

Join GACC Midwest for a **vibrant evening of celebration** as the German American business community comes together to **honor its achievements and drive impactful change.** This notable gathering unites **high-profile leaders and supporters** to champion innovative education programs that shape bright futures for emerging talent.

Debuting in 2024, this annual gala is a landmark event dedicated to bringing together the German American business community while fostering high-quality apprenticeship pathways and advancing related education initiatives across the United States. **All proceeds directly benefit the foundation's mission.** 



### **FREQUENCY**

Annually October 17, 2025

### LOCATION

The Canvas Venue (Wheeling, IL)

### **AUDIENCE**

185+ C-level/ high-ranking professionals and industry leaders

### **YOUR BENEFITS**

- Brand visibility and publicity on LinkedIn and at event
- In-person connections

### A LOOK BACK AT 2024

### **73%**

of attendees are decision makers within their company



### 4

different states were present at GACC Midwest Annual Gala



### 130

attendees were at the GACC Midwest Annual Gala



### 36,500+

total impressions across LinkedIn and our newsletter







### **GACC MIDWEST ANNUAL GALA**

	INCLUDES.	Official Event Sponsor	Signature Sponsor	Supporting Sponsor	Networking Sponsor	Paddle Sponsor	Entertainment Sponsor	Photo Sponsor	Education Pathway Sponsor
PACKAGE	INCLUDES	(limit 3)	(limit 4)	(limit 5)	(limit 4)	(limit 1)	(limit 2)	(limit 2)	(limit 8)
		\$12,000	\$10,000	\$8,000	\$6,000	\$5,000	\$4,000	\$3,000	\$2,000
HIGHLIGHTS	Tickets to Annual Gala	8	8	4	4	2	2	2	2
	Verbal partner recognition during GACC opening remarks	Χ	Х	Χ	SOLD OUT!				
					001.				
PRE-EVENT	Logo placement on event webpage	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Χ	Х	Χ
	Logo placement on event mailings	≥3 mailings	≥3 mailings	≥3 mailings	≥ 2 mailings	≥1 mailing	≥1 mailing	≥1 mailing	≥1 mailing
	Company tag and logo on LinkedIn event posts	≥ 3 posts	≥ 3 posts	≥ 3 posts	≥1 post	≥1 post	≥1 post	≥1 post	≥1 post
	Logo placement on GACC Midwest reception screens	X							
AT EVENT	Logo placement: Event handout, rotating slideshow, signage, step and repeat banner	X	Χ	X	X			Χ	
	Logo signage displayed during networking				Х				
	Product placement at event (if applicable)	Х				Х			
	Logo placement on photo frame							Χ	
POST-EVENT	Attendee "Thank You" email with company logo	Х	Χ	X	X	Χ	X	Χ	Х
	Event recap LinkedIn post with company tag and logo	Х	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	X	Χ	Х
	Recognition on press release	Χ							



### **SUCCESS IN THE US SERIES**

GACC Midwest's virtual "Success in the US" workshop series is the **ideal platform for German entrepreneurs aiming to enter or expand in the US market.** Led by subject matter experts and company representatives, this series equips participants with insights into Sales Strategies, Intercultural Coaching, Market Entry Strategy, Recruiting, Founding a Subsidiary with all legal and taxation aspects.

Topics covered include intercultural coaching, recruiting, law, and taxes. Partner with us and tap into the expertise of our experienced US-based team, with a track record of helping over 1,400+ attendees since 2020 succeed in the competitive US market.



### **FREQUENCY**

### LOCATION

### **AUDIENCE**

5-7 workshops

Virtual, in German

30-100 German SME Professionals per event entering or expanding in the US

### **YOUR BENEFITS**

- Workshop opening remarks
- First-hand connections
- Company pitch during workshop
- Exposure on LinkedIn

PACKAGE I	NCLUDES	Official Event Partner (limit 1)	Supporting Partner (limit 3)
		\$5,000	\$3,000
HIGHLIGHTS	Workshop opening remarks	Χ	
	Company pitch during workshop	Χ	
PRE-EVENT	Logo placement on event webpage	X	X
	Logo placement on targeted event mailing(s)	X	X
	Company tag and logo on LinkedIn event posts	Χ	Χ
AT EVENT	One slide feature with company logo and contact info	X	X
POST-EVENT	Event recap LinkedIn post with company tag and logo	Χ	X
	Logo placement in Workshop YouTube video	Χ	Χ

### **SITE SELECTION WEBINARS\***

This webinar series equips German companies with the insights they need to choose the perfect location. Learn directly from local business development experts about each region's strengths, incentives, and challenges. Plus, gain valuable best practice guidance from successful German companies already thriving in the US.

\*Bookable only for economic development/state organizations.



### **FREQUENCY**

### **LOCATION**

### **AUDIENCE**

4-5 workshops

Virtual

20-80 German SME Professionals per event interested in learning more about the state and site selection

### **YOUR BENEFITS**

- Co-host a webinar and represent your state
- First-hand connections
- Exposure on LinkedIn
- Select a German company from your region to discuss their experience entering your state

### **PACKAGE INCLUDES**

### **Official Event Partner**

<b>PACKAGE I</b>	AGE INCLUDES (limit 4-5)		
		\$2,500	
HIGHLIGHTS	Workshop opening remarks and present your state	X	
	Company pitch during workshop	X	
PRE-EVENT	Logo placement on event webpage	X	
	Logo placement on targeted event mailing(s)	X	
	Company tag and logo on LinkedIn event posts	X	
AT EVENT	VENT       One slide feature with company logo and contact info       X         Product placement at event (if applicable)       X		
POST-EVENT	Event recap LinkedIn post with company tag and logo	X	
	Logo placement in Workshop YouTube video	X	

### **EVENTS IN COLLABORATION WITH OUR PARTNERS**

2025 GACC MIDWEST PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### **2025 GERMAN AMERICAN BUSINESS FORUM**

The German American Business Forum in Munich, Germany, targets German companies seeking to establish business relationships within the US, and focuses on consulting, discussions, and workshops addressing practical questions about doing business in the USA. Don't miss this perfect opportunity to showcase your company to a global audience of professionals from a wide variety of industries



FREQUENCY

LOCATION

**AUDIENCE** 

July 24, 2025

Munich, Germany

> 250 German company representatives interested in expanding in the US













# **German American Business Forum 2025**

July 24, 2025 | Munich, Germany

Sponsorship Opportunities









## German American Business Forum (DAWT) 2025

Join the 10th German American Business 2025, hosted by the German American Forum (DAWT) in Munich, Germany on July 24, Chambers of Commerce (AHK USA).

This forum is designed for German companies aiming to expand into the U.S. market, offering invaluable networking opportunities and practical workshops. With over 300 expected decision-makers (company and industry representatives, SMEs, investors, researchers, and policy-makers), it's an ideal platform to showcase your business.

and Plant Engineering and the Automotive as Al & Robotics, Climate Tech, Mobility, Innovation & Startups, Renewables, Smart Manufacturing & IoT, along with Machinery Expand your reach across key industries such Supply sector.

By sponsoring the DAWT, you will:

- Access key decision-makers on both sides of the Atlantic
- Position your organization as a key player of the German American ecosystem
- Grow your network and reach
- Gain visibility in the transatlantic business community

The sponsorship ensures high-level exposure, support. Don't miss this opportunity to make a lasting impact - customizable packages are along with extensive marketing and PR available to meet your specific needs.

Join us now as a sponsor for DAWT 2025.

## For more information, please contact:

Susanne Johnson | New York sjohnson@gaccny.com +1 (215) 501-7102

ahlers@gaccmidwest.org Gerrit Ahlers | Chicago +1 (312) 565-8345

istaab@gaccsouth.com Iman Staab | Atlanta +1 (404) 586-682B

Daniela Berger-Huza | Wachington D.C. bergerhuza@washington.ahk.de +1,202,987,5495

Mirko Wutzler | San Francisco mwutzler@gaccwest.com +1 (415) 248 1243

## Sponsorship Opportunities 1/3

## Munich, Germany

Benefits	Premium Sponsor	Luncheon Sponsor	Coffee Break Sponsor	Exclusive Evening Sponsor
CORT	15.000 Euro	6.000 Euro	3.500 Euro	780
Press referse & announcement during speech	sponsor will be litted in press refeases in Germany and the Usand will be amounced during the conference's cificial opening speech			
Logo on name tage	printed fago on event name tags of all conformore participants			permit days of the entitlement type of a second permits of the sec
Exclusive expusore	and unifive supposition via a dire-page, four-color and unifive second page of the professor programmed appropriate amounted during the selection remarks.	presentation of your logo on all tables shaing the lunch break and sponsor will be amosunced before the lunch break.	presentation of your logo on all tables during the lunch break and specific will be announced before the lunch break	Order two miles of many reconfiguration of the second of t
Logo on event website	your fogo on our event registration metologe	your lago on our wrent.	year faqu'on our event.	
Exhibition space for prometional materials or logo	exhibition table for promotional material and give-aways in the toyer of the sense, including paying bettness	autilities table for pronotional material and give-sein; sin the coloring ana	exhibition table for promotional material and give aways in the calleding area.	The second of th
Lago on promutional material	year logo on promotional materials before, during and after the event, on our event exhibite and in all mullings	your logo on promotional meanats before, dusing and after the event, on our event wetails and in all mallings.	your logo on promotional manufats before, during and after the event, on our event subotts and in all mailings	Averticed and a district of materials
Lego ee signs & presentation screen	display of your logo on signs (digital & print) at the conference venue and presentation screen	display of your logic on signs (dighted a print) at the conference venue and presentation screen	display of your logs on signs (digital & pdirit) at the conference venue and presentation screen	regate of your tage as age, tillified it yelloy at Otroco for a construction of the co
Administration to the Business Forces	The admission for four (4) to the German-American Business Forum	flues admission for two (2) to the German-American Buildness Forum	Asse admission for one (3) to the German American Business Forum	and the test than
Admission to the Evening Secretion	two (2) fichois for the exclusive dimen- inception on the evening prior to the coeferance			recognition and a second section of the strongs of the strongs of the second section of the second section of the second section second section section section second section



## German-American Business Forum July 24, 2025 | Munich, Germany

Benefits	Exhibitor Space (Limited to 7)	US State Representatives	Conference Material Sponsor (Laminet to 1 sponsor)	Conference Bag Sponsor (Limited to 1 Sponsor)	Lanyard Sponsor
3	3,500 Euro	3,750 Euro	2.750 Euro	2.750 Euro	2,500 Sum
Press release & announcement during official opening speech					
Logo on name Lags					-1
Exchange experience		sponsors will receive the possibility to pitch their respective region during the German-American Business Forum.	enclusive provider of conference materials (hotopads and pers) brand-ed with your logo for all door ference participants	exchasive provides of bags for all confesence participants (bags that you provide see already branded with your fogo!	
Logs on event website	your logo on our event registration website	your lago on our event registration website	your lago on our event registration wellsibe	your tago on our event. registration website	
Exhibition space for promotional materials or logo	achibition table for promotional material and give-aways in the loyer of the sense, technifing pop-up between	arhibition table for premotional material and give-aways in the typer of the wenue, including pap-up hanners.			in .
Legis on promotional material	display of your logs on signs (digital & print) at the conference venue and presentation screen	display of your logo on algin (digital & print) at the conference versus and presentation screen	display of your logo an signs (digital & print) at the conference venue and presentation screen	display of your logo on signs (digital & point) at the conference venue and presentation screen.	And the state of t
Logs on signs & presentation screen	recognition on representative signs at the conference venue and presentation screen	recognition on representative signs at the conference venue and presentation sceen	recognition on representative alges at the conference works and presentation screen	recognition on representative signs at the conference verses and presentation screen	And the state of the second sec
Admission to the Business Forum	thee admission for two (2) to the German-American Business Forum	five admission for two (2) to the Cerman American Business Fanum	See admission for one (1) to the German-American Business Essum	free admission for one (1) to the Cerman-American Business Forum	Transmission or morty unite Transmission for the
Admission to the Evening Reception					>*

### Sponsorship Opportunities 3/3

### exhibition table for promotional material Happy Hour Sponsor before, during and after the event, on one and give aways in the toyer of the venue, (digital & print) at the conference venue presented by of your logs on all tables during the Neppy Hour and sports of is ensuranced during the opening of the event two (2) Sickets for the exclusive direct reception on the evening prior to the your logo on promotional materials avent wabsite and in all mailings. he a admission for four (4) to the German American Business Fourm display of your logo on signs Including gop-up harmens and presentation screen (Limited to 1 Spontor) your togo on our event registration website confesence TBD year logo on promotional materials before, during and after the reset, on our digital & point) at the conference venue event webcite and in all malings ties admitsion for one (1) to the Online Sponsor display of your logo on signs German-American Business your logo on our event registration website. manne inggrames in pus highlighted exposure in our award mallings 2.500 Euro Forum Photo Booth Sponsor before, thriling and after the event, on our display of your topo on signa (digital & print) at the conference venue presentation of your logo on the photo your logo on promotional materials event website and in all mallings they admission for one (3) to the German-American Business and presentation scient your logo an our event registration website (Limited to 1 Spomsor) booth and photo frame 2.500 Euro Forcial before, during and after the event, on our (digital & print) at the confessors would the workshop's opening by workshop Workshop Sponsor your logo on promotional materials. sponsor will be announced during event wabsite and in all mailings Inse adminston for one (1) to the display of your logo on signs German American Business (Limited to 4 Spenners) and presentation screen your lega an our event registration webatte 1.750 Euro moderator Forum Breakfast/Snack Sponsor minimum de latte Thanke gante presentation of plot digit on all fatters Name Tought way were all thought Tought St. arrestated during specified of twelwere volume and broken wanted disting the elifest and spoones in design process with the same the Attribution for one ggr portion coppied of transferred and digital continue or selections and themsettlytherstrikes Limited to 1 Sponter SEG Earn official opening speech Lings on event website Long is over promotional presentation serven announcement during Exchance aupasure Exhibition space for Lings on name lags Evening Reception materials or logo Logo on signs 4. Admission to the Admission to the Benefits Business Forum Press release & promotional **MANAGEMENT** 3

### ABOUT OUR WORKFORCE INITIATIVE PROGRAMS



The German apprenticeship system is one of Germany's most successful exports, producing highly trained employees that help companies embrace innovation, market demands, and growth opportunities. The system is recognized globally for its combination of company-specific knowledge, theory, and hands-on learning.

GACC Midwest implements German-style apprenticeship programs such as the ICATT® and MAT² Apprenticeship Programs, which attract young people to manufacturing and other high-tech careers and increase retention rates for Network Companies. Certified according to German DIHK standards, these programs are affiliated with the US Department of Labor.

### **OUR AUDIENCE**

**218** Apprentices in 5 different industries

Network colleges throughout the Midwest

**127** Active Network Companies

### **NETWORK & INDUSTRIES**





- Automotive Supplier
- Sensors / Measurement and Control Technology
- Packaging Machinery
- Machine Manufacturer

### WHY PARTNER WITH US?



### VISIBILITY & BRAND EXPOSURE

Reach a targeted audience interested in apprenticeships and vocational training.



### NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

Connect with industry leaders, educators, and aspiring professionals.



### SUPPORTING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Align your company with a cause that promotes learning, development, and the growth of essential skills within the workforce.

### NEXT-LEVEL APPRENTICESHIPS: TRANSATLANTIC EXCHANGE ON TRAINING PROGRAMS

The German apprenticeship training system is regarded as one of Germany's most successful exports and a recipe for success in a globalized world. US companies can build on this knowledge to successfully implement their own apprenticeship programs. Next Level Apprenticeships: Transatlantic Exchange on Training Programs focuses on building German-American partnerships via peer-to-peer exchange.



### **FREQUENCY**

### LOCATION

### AUDIENCE

Annually: February - July, 2025

Virtual

30+ SME, Manufacturing and Education Professionals

### **YOUR BENEFITS**

- Event opening remarks
- Exposure on LinkedIn
- Company recognition
- First-hand connections

		Official Event Partner
PACKAGE I	NCLUDES	(limit 3)
		\$2,750
HIGHLIGHTS	Company recognition in 2024 Apprenticeship Year-End Publication	X
PRE-EVENT	Logo placement on event webpage	Χ
	Logo placement on targeted event mailing(s)	Χ
	Company tag and logo on LinkedIn event posts	X
AT EVENT	Logo placement on "Thank you" slide at the beginning and at the end of workshop	X
	Logo signage displayed during workshop	X
POST-EVENT	Logo placement on "Thank You" mailing to all attendees	X
	Workshop Recap LinkedIn post	Χ

### NEXT-LEVEL APPRENTICESHIPS: STUDY TRIP TO GERMANY

The German apprenticeship training system is regarded as one of Germany's most successful exports and a recipe for success in a globalized world. US companies can build on this knowledge to successfully implement their own apprenticeship programs. Next-Level Apprenticeships: Transatlantic Exchange on Training Programs focuses on building German-American partnerships via peer-to-peer exchange.



### **FREQUENCY**

### LOCATION

### **AUDIENCE**

Annually: December, 2025

Germany

15 representatives from companies, educators, and policymakers involved in advancing apprenticeship programs in the US per event

### **YOUR BENEFITS**

- Event opening remarks
- Exposure on LinkedIn
- Company recognition
- First-hand connections

PACKAGE I	NCLUDES	Official Partner (limit 3) \$2,750
HIGHLIGHTS	Company recognition in 2024 Apprenticeship Year-End Publication	X
PRE-EVENT	Logo placement on event webpage	X
	Logo placement on targeted event mailing(s)	X
	Company tag and logo on LinkedIn event posts	Х
AT EVENT	Logo placement on study trip agenda	Х
	Verbal company recognition	X
POST-EVENT	Logo placement on "Thank You" mailing to all attendees	X
	Event Recap LinkedIn post	X



### 'TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTKINDLMARKET

The 'Twas the Night Before Christkindlmarket Preview Event allows a limited number of guests and VIPs to get an exclusive first look at the 2025 Christkindlmarket Chicago with an evening of traditional German food, drink, and entertainment.

Promote your brand to consumers and network with C-level VIPs in the GACC Midwest and Christkindlmarket and network with C-level VIPs from the German American business community of GACC Midwest and the Christkindlmarket.



### **FREQUENCY**

Annually: November 20 -December 24, 2025\*

### LOCATION

Christkindlmarket: Daley Plaza, Chicago, IL

### **AUDIENCE**

700+ consumers, 200+ VIPs of the German American business community

### **YOUR BENEFITS**

- Exposure to VIPs
- Verbal recognition in opening ceremony
- Partnership opportunities also available for the full run of the Christkindlmarket

Be part of the Christkindlmarket during the most wundervoll time of year!





**FIND OUT MORE** 

**TALK TO US!** 

\* Dates are still subject to change



### **CONFERENCE ROOM BOOKINGS**

Immerse yourself in the unique charm of a Chicago landmark, offering unparalleled views of Lake Michigan, Grant Park, and the iconic Bean. Whether you're aiming to impress your colleagues and clients or need a private office for your work, GACC Midwest is here to welcome you.

Our centrally located corporate event and meeting spaces come with top-notch amenities and services. Conference room rentals are available during regular working hours (9:00 am to 5:00 pm), with requests beyond these hours subject to approval.



### **FREQUENCY**

LOCATION

**AUDIENCE** 

Throughout the year

GACC Midwest Office, Chicago, IL GACC members and non-members

### **YOUR BENEFITS**

- Conference rooms for 2 60 people
- Best views in town overlooking Lake Michigan and skyline
- Perfect for business meetings and evening receptions
- Professional on-site service

"Our evening reception was an all-around success!"

- The City of Dortmund





### **CONFERENCE ROOMS**

PACKAGE INCLU	IDES		Non-Member	Member
ROOM RENTAL PER DAY/8HR	Grand Conference Room Bo to 60 people)	erlin both rooms (up	\$1,200	\$600
	Berlin single room (up to 30	0 people)	\$800	\$400
	Michigan Room (up to 10 p	eople)	\$700	\$300
	Wisconsin Room (up to 8 pe	eople)	\$500	\$250
	Minnesota Room (up to 6 p	eople)	\$300	\$200
SERVICE CHARGES PER PERSON	Fewer than 20 people		\$25	\$25
	More than 20 people		\$28	\$28
	Incl. catering organized by than 20 people	GACC Midwest, fewer	\$35	\$35
	Incl. catering organized by than 20 people	GACC Midwest, more	\$38	\$38
SPECIAL OCCASIONS	Evening Bookings/Reception official business hours)	on events (outside of	\$1,000	\$1,000
WHAT IS INCLUDED	Room Rentals	<ul> <li>Room set-up</li> <li>Whiteboard with markers and writing pads &amp; pens</li> <li>Widescreen TVs, WebCamera, HDMI, and adapters</li> <li>WIFI is available in the entire office</li> </ul>		
	Service Charge*	All-day beverages (s	oft drinks, water, coffee, te	a) and cookies
	Evening Events (outside of official business hours)	<ul> <li>Set-up</li> <li>Furniture (depending may apply)</li> <li>Staff on site</li> </ul>	g on the event/amount of	people, additional costs

