

Linking the Chain

Collaboration and Innovation in Freight



The Mid-America Freight Coalition and the Institute for Trade and Transportation Studies have developed a conference to discuss innovations in freight policy, planning and operations.

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August 12-14, 2024
Kansas City, MO

MAFC/ITTS 2024 Freight Conference

Linking the Chain: Collaboration and Innovation in Freight

Westin KC Crown Center — Liberty Room

Monday, August 12, 2024

2:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Steamboat Arabia Museum & Port of Kansas City Tour Sponsored by Quetica & High Street
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Pre-Conference Reception at Burnt End BBQ in Crown Center Sponsored by Cambridge Systematics

Tuesday, August 13, 2024

7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Opening Session Fireside Chat on Freight Logistics Optimization Welcome Remarks by Michael Duffy Director of Community Development, City of Riverside, MO Andrew Petrisin Deputy Assistance Secretary-OST Multimodal Freight Infrastructure & Policy Office Moderator: Levi Woods, Missouri DOT
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Networking Break
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Technical Session 1 - Charging Ahead Marty Blake, Indiana DOT Julie Dietrich, Evergy & Shaun Tuyuri, EPRI Brad Whäm, Orange EV Moderator: Erik Johnson, Virginia DOT
Noon - 1:30 p.m.	Networking Lunch & Freight EV Exhibit in Union Station Parking Lunch Sponsored by HNTB
1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Technical Session 2 - Modern Supply Chains Chris Gutierrez, KC SmartPort Chris Carucci, CPKC Amanda Davenport, Distribution by Air Moderator: Ernie Perry, MAFC
3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Networking Break Sponsored by TranSystems

Tuesday, August 13, 2024


3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Breakout Sessions ITTS Member States Business Meeting in Penn Valley MAFC Member States Business Meeting in Roanoke
6:00 p.m.	ITTS & MAFC Member States Group Dinner Offsite Sponsored by HNTB

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Breakfast
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Technical Session 3 Federal Reserve Perspective on Transportation Economy Jordan Rappaport, Federal Reserve - Kansas City Region Moderator: Josilyn Mitchell, Arkansas DOT
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Networking Break
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Technical Session 4 - Freight Mover Geographic Perspectives Lucy Fletcher, AGRIservices Paula Dowell, HNTB Keith Bucklew, HDR Moderator: Jason Duet, Louisiana DOTD
12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Keynote Luncheon: Kansas & Missouri Panel on Collaboration Secretary Calvin Reed, Kansas DOT Director Patrick McKenna, Missouri DOT Moderator: Levi Woods, Missouri DOT Lunch Sponsored by CPCS
1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Technical Session 5 - Work Force Development Tessa Andres, IRPT Lewie Pugh, OOIDA Daniel Rust, University of Wisconsin-Superior Moderator: Thomas Hill, Florida DOT
3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Networking Break Sponsored by HDR
3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	ITTS & MAFC Peer Exchange: FACs & Freight Planning Moderators: Caleb Whitehouse, Iowa DOT & Erik Johnson, VDOT
5:00 p.m.	Wrap Up/Closing

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