



2019 National Conference & Business Fair FACT Sheet

2019 National Conference & Business Fair | ECOSYSTEMS: Connect. Grow. Thrive. A vibrant ecosystem advancing women-owned businesses.

WBENC's 2019 National Conference & Business Fair is the largest conference of its kind for women business owners. It brings together America's leading corporations, government agencies, women business owners and their staff, and strategic partner organizations. This year's exciting program engages participants for three days of valuable educational sessions, interactive learning opportunities, networking engagements, and of course, the Business Fair!

Conference Co-Chairs:

Capital One	Ampcus Inc.
EY	APCO Worldwide
Pfizer Inc.	Omega World Travel

Highlight Events:

The Business Fair

Showcase your company at the Business Fair on Wednesday, June 26, 2019. This event represents the year's best opportunity for your business to connect with more than 4,700 women business owners, government agencies and Fortune 1000 enterprises that want to do business.

Procurement Opportunity Connection 1:1 MatchMaker Meetings

1:1 MatchMaker Meetings connect* WBENC-Certified WBEs with corporate buyers and their prime suppliers/key business partners to explore 1st, 2nd, and 3rd tier sourcing prospects and to learn how to be considered. WBENC-Certified WBEs who purchase a full conference registration; WBENC-Certified WBE sponsors; WBENC-Certified WBE Sponsor guests; WBENC-Certified WBE Exhibitors; and WEConnect Certified WBEs with a current certificate who register before the Early Bird Deadline, April 2, are eligible to participate in MatchMakers.

**Appointments for meetings with Corporate Members and their prime suppliers will be scheduled based on the corporation's interest and applicability; meetings are not guaranteed.*

WBENC Business Lab

WBENC is excited to introduce the WBENC Business Lab, a new interactive learning experience for women business owners and business professionals.

The WBENC Business Lab will feature a series of experiential learning circuits and other activations focused on topics of critical importance to business owners and career professionals. Each circuit will feature a combination of short seminars, fireside chats, 1:1 coaching, guided working sessions, and other interactive, hands-on activities designed to leave attendees with actionable insights to improve their business and career.

Who can attend National Conference & Business Fair? EVERYONE—WBENC invites all WBENC-Certified Women Business Enterprises (WBEs), WBENC Corporate and Government Members, Regional Partner Organizations (RPOs), buyers and procurement representatives, supplier diversity professionals, and federal, state, and local government officials. We also invite non-WBENC-Certified business owners and non-WBENC member Corporate and Government representatives to join us and learn about our organization and vast community.

When and where will WBENC's 2019 National Conference & Business Fair be held? WBENC's 2019 National Conference & Business Fair will be held June 25-27, 2019 at the Baltimore Convention Center in Baltimore, MD. On June 24, WBENC will host a pre-conference day of programming and meetings. The Tribute! Awards Dinner will take place on Thursday night of June 27, 2019.

How do I register? Go to <http://conf.wbenc.org> to register. Early bird pricing ends **April 2, 2019**. See the available Sponsorship opportunities through the conference registration site or in the [WBENC Sponsorship Brochure](#). Opportunities are going fast, so get your preferred package now!

How do I book my hotel? Reserve your hotel room at one of the conference hotels for WBENC preferred rates. Links and details are available on the conference website: <http://conf.wbenc.org/hotel-reservations/>

Who do I contact for additional information?

For **online registration** questions call Customer Service toll free at 1-800-310-7554, 9am-5pm, EST, Monday – Friday or send an email to:

Attendees – WBENCattendees@experient-inc.com
Exhibitors – WBENCexhibitors@experient-inc.com
Sponsors – WBENCsponsors@experient-inc.com

International registrants, please call 240-439-2554

For **general event or hotel** questions contact WBENC Customer Service at wbenccustsvc@wbenc.org

For **sponsorships**, contact Mia Delano, at valuedsponsors@wbenc.org or 202.315.1501

For **exhibitor help desk** call 301-306-4627 or email exhibitorservices@hargroveinc.com

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