

2018
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United States

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2018 IBM Systems TechU Events

April 30–May 4
Orlando, FL

Featuring:
IBM Power Systems
IBM Storage
IBM Z

*Application due date: Friday, March 30, 2018**

October 8–12
Hollywood, FL

Featuring:
IBM Storage
IBM Z

*Application due date: Friday, September 7, 2018**

October 15–19
Hollywood, FL

Featuring:
IBM Power
IBM Storage

*Application due date: Friday, September 14, 2018**

**A 10% rush charge will be applied to sponsorships and marketing options if submitted after due dates listed above.*

Dear Valued Sponsor,

IBM technical training events are designed for technical development in IBM Z™, IBM Power Systems™ and IBM Storage. The week is packed with skill-building sessions, hands-on labs, onsite certification testing and a vibrant Solution Center.

If you are looking to increase your visibility in the IT community and grow your revenue base, I invite you to sponsor one or more of these events being held across the United States.

Being a sponsor gives you an opportunity to:

- Generate revenue by closing existing deals and developing opportunities with IT directors, managers and other decision makers
- Build brand awareness and network with professionals at all levels
- Participate in the Solution Center where attendees can learn about your products and services
- Show your expertise and conduct presentations to potential customers
- Hear about breakthrough announcements

Our sponsors are key to the success of these events and your participation is greatly valued. Invest in one of our sponsorship levels today to gain exposure to influencers and decision makers at our 2018 events. I look forward to seeing you.

Amy Purdy Hirst

Director, WW Technical Events and Training
IBM Systems

Solution Center

A detailed floor plan with booth locations will be made available several weeks prior to the event(s). Times and location may change, final information will be in the Solution Center Service Kit, provided upon application approval.

Solution Center Hours

Day 1

Solution Center Set Up 7:00am–5:00pm
 Solution Center Open/Reception 5:30–7:30pm

Day 2

Solution Center Open 12:30–3:15pm
 Solution Center Open/Reception 5:30–7:30pm

Day 3

Solution Center Open 12:30–1:45pm
 Solution Center Breakdown 2:00–8:00pm

Sample Event Agenda

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Registration 7:00 AM–5:30 PM Networking Lounge . . 7:00 AM–5:30 PM	Registration 7:00 AM–5:30 PM Networking Lounge . . 9:00 AM–4:00 PM	Registration 7:30 AM–5:30 PM Networking Lounge . . 9:00 AM–4:00 PM	Registration 7:30 AM–5:30 PM Networking Lounge . . 9:00 AM–5:30 PM	Registration 7:30 AM–11:30 AM Networking Lounge 7:30 AM–11:30 AM
	Breakfast 7:00 – 8:30	Breakfast 7:00 – 9:00 Vendor Primer Sessions 8:00 – 8:45	Breakfast 7:00 – 9:00 Vendor Primer Sessions 8:00 – 8:45	Breakfast 7:00 – 9:00	Breakfast 7:00 – 9:00
	Opening Keynote Session 8:30 – 9:45	Elective Sessions & Labs 9:00 – 10:00	Elective Sessions & Labs 9:00 – 10:00	Elective Sessions & Labs 9:00 – 10:00	Elective Sessions & Labs 9:00 – 10:00
	Coffee Break 9:45 – 10:15	Coffee Break 10:00 – 10:15	Coffee Break 10:00 – 10:15	Coffee Break 10:00 – 10:15	Coffee Break 10:00 – 10:15
	Elective Sessions & Labs 10:15 – 11:15	Elective Sessions & Labs 10:15 – 11:15	Elective Sessions & Labs 10:15 – 11:15	Elective Sessions & Labs 10:15 – 11:15	Elective Sessions & Labs 10:15 – 11:15
	Break 11:15 – 11:30	Break 11:15 – 11:30	Break 11:15 – 11:30	Break 11:15 – 11:30	11:15 Event Ends
	Elective Sessions & Labs 11:30 – 12:30	Elective Sessions & Labs 11:30 – 12:30	Elective Sessions & Labs 11:30 – 12:30	Elective Sessions & Labs 11:30 – 12:30	
	Lunch 12:30 – 1:45	Lunch 12:30 – 1:45	Lunch 12:30 – 1:45	Lunch 12:30 – 1:45	
	Elective Sessions & Labs 1:45 – 2:45	Elective Sessions/Labs 1:45 – 2:45	Elective Sessions & Labs 1:45 – 2:45	Elective Sessions & Labs 1:45 – 2:45	
	Coffee Break 2:45 – 3:15	Coffee Break 2:45 – 3:15	Coffee Break 2:45 – 3:15	Coffee Break 2:45 – 3:15	
	Elective Sessions & Labs 3:15 – 4:15	Elective Sessions & Labs 3:15 – 4:15	Elective Sessions & Labs 3:15 – 4:15	Elective Sessions & Labs 3:15 – 4:15	
	Break 4:15 – 4:30	Break 4:15 – 4:30	Break 4:15 – 4:30	Break 4:15 – 4:30	
	Elective Sessions & Labs 4:30 – 5:30	Elective Sessions & Labs 4:30 – 5:30	Elective Sessions & Labs 4:30 – 5:30	Elective Sessions & Labs 4:30 – 5:30	
	Solution Center Reception 5:30 – 7:30	Solution Center Reception 5:30 – 7:30		Poster Session Showcase 5:30 – 6:30	Tentative Schedule. Subject to Change.
				Technical University Event Night 6:30 – 9:30	<small>IBM, the IBM logo, Blu.com, and Power Systems are trademarks or registered trademarks of International Business Machines Corporation in the United States, other countries, or both. A current list of IBM trademarks is available on the Web at "Copyright and trademark information" at ibm.com/legal/copytrade.shtml. Published dates and locations are subject to change at any time.</small>

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Sponsorship Information

Single event sponsorship options OR Multi-event sponsorship options (Two or more at same level, per event)	Platinum ² \$30,000	Gold ² \$20,000	Silver ² \$15,000	Bronze ² \$10,000	Exhibitor ² \$6,000	First-time Exhibitor ² \$5,000
	Platinum ² \$24,000	Gold ² \$16,000	Silver ² \$12,000	Bronze ² \$9,000	Exhibitor ² \$5,500	N/A
Booth space	20x20	10x30	10x20	10x10	10x10	10x10
Kiosk(s) and stools(s)	4	3	2	1	1	1
Electricity (500w drop)	4	3	2	1	1	1
Full Conference Passes	6	5	4	3	2	2
Conference Guide Description	150 word	100 word	50 word	25 word	Name/URL	Name/URL
Lead Retrieval using your own device	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Meal/Break Sponsorship (not exclusive)	Reception	Lunch	Breakfast	Coffee	N	N
Passport Card Sponsorship	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N
Advertisement in Conference Guide	Y	Y	N	N	N	N

Additional Marketing Options

To enhance your exposure at the event, IBM is offering additional opportunities to our sponsors. Please see list below.

Opportunity	Details	
Additional Full Conference badge	Full conference badge allows access to all conference functions	\$1,200
Exhibitor-Only Badge	Allows access to Meals Monday through Wednesday, General Session, Solution Center and Evening Event	\$800
Advertisement in Conference Guide (full page)	Full page ad in printed conference guide or online portal (whichever is offered)	\$2,000
Event Agenda Portal Sponsorship	Your company logo will be posted on the event agenda portal attendees use to access event content.	\$2,000
Event Night Sponsorship	Get your company name/message in front of attendees! IBM will promote your sponsorship to the attendee base via the conference agenda, on-site signage and during the Event Night	\$8,000
Flyer in attendee kit or displayed at registration	Sponsor-provided 8.5"x11" flyer (single or double sided) to be included in the attendee kit received at registration.	\$2,000
Hotel Room Key Sponsorship	Your company logo will be printed on the hotel keys along with IBM TechU messaging. Additional hotel and production fees apply.	\$4,000
Pre-event Email to Attendees	An email will be sent by IBM in care of your company with your message to registered attendees.	\$3,000
Presentation Session	Your company will be provided a session room to host a 1-hour presentation that will be listed in the conference agenda. Includes additional full conference badge.	\$2,500
Seat Drop at General Session	Sponsor provided 8.5"x11" flyer (single or double sided) to be placed on each seat at the General Session.	\$4,000

¹ All Full Conference Badges are limited to open sessions and/or functions. This badge does not grant access to restricted and/or private sessions or activities.

² All options are subject to availability. All information must be provided 60 days in advance unless otherwise noted.

³ Additional costs will be incurred from hotel/venue. First come, first served.

Advertising Specifications

Portfolio Inserts and Seat Drops

Printed materials for these uses are limited to one 8.5"x 11" flyer printed front and back. Sponsor is responsible for printing and delivery of the item.

Print Advertising in Solution Center Guide

All advertisements to be printed in the Program Guide should be provided in PDF format when possible. Certain EPS and TIFF files are also acceptable. All included art should be 300 dpi at actual size and in CMYK format, with black at 100%. Ad sizes are subject to change.

Full Page: 5.0" wide x 8.0" high. No bleed necessary.

Logo Submission

Our goal is to provide the highest quality reproduction of your company logo for any signage, banners and publications that may include them. You can help us in that effort by providing logo files in accordance with the following guidelines.

Preferred file type: EPS, PDF or AI file (typically a vector file from Adobe Illustrator) with all fonts converted to paths. RGB and spot colors will be converted to CMYK.

Other acceptable file types: TIF, JPG, PNG or PSD. As a rule of thumb, these should be large enough to fill your computer screen and still look great. (Depending on sponsorship, they may be reproduced up to 15" wide at 200 dpi.)

File types we cannot use to reproduce your logo in print include: GIF, WORD (.doc), PowerPoint (.ppt), EXE.

If you are unable to provide a file type that is listed under the acceptable file types, we will make every effort to work with what you are able to provide.

Additional Information

- Payment invoices will be created based on the USD prices listed in this document. Invoices will outline the Terms & Conditions and Payment To information.
- Options in the sponsorship packages are based on availability.
- Sponsorship registration will be done via an online enrollment tool, which is linked from Solution Center tab on the event web site.
- Please plan to have your application submitted in a timely manner and remember the earlier your application is submitted the better selection you will have for your booth within your sponsorship level.

Sponsor terms and conditions

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11. Sponsor may not assign its sponsorship to any third party without the consent of the other party.
12. These terms and conditions, the Sponsor Guidelines and all other matters arising out or relating to Sponsor's Solution Center Sponsorship shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York.
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