



Conference Frequently Asked Questions

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Location & Dates

Q. What are the official dates of the conference?

A. The core program dates are Monday - Wednesday, Nov. 9 – 11, 2026, with additional pre-conference Friday - Sunday, Nov. 6 – 8, 2026 and post-conference training Thursday, Nov. 12, 2026. Plus, IAEM offers an Early Edition Speaker Series: A special bonus for those registered at the full conference rate by October 1, 2026, which includes 8 additional virtual only highly rated speaker sessions.

Q. Where is the event located?

A. The IAEM 74th Annual Conference & EMEX will be taking place at the:

The Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center

300 East Ocean Boulevard

Long Beach, CA 90802

3D Convention Center Map - <https://www.longbeachcc.com/facilities/campus-map/>

NOTE: Some pre-/post-conference training will be held at the:

(room locations will be posted in the [full conference schedule](#) by the end of September)

Westin Long Beach

333 East Ocean Boulevard

Long Beach, California, USA, 90802

Q. How do I get to the convention center and where can I park?

You can find directions and parking for the Long Beach Convention and Entertainment Center on our conference [website](#).

Registration

Q. How do I register for the conference?

A. You can register by clicking on this [link](#). We encourage you to register early to select pre-/post-conference training and optional events that sell out before the event.

Q. Will registration be available on-site?

A. Yes, registration will also be available on-site.

Q. What are the registration rates?

A. The registration rates can be found on the [conference website here](#). We offer full conference registration which includes tickets to the Sunday Welcome Party, the Wednesday IAEM Awards & Certification Banquet and all sessions, breaks, lunches Monday through Wednesday, Monday EMEX Opening Reception and breakfast on Tuesday. We also offer daily rates and exhibit only rates.

Q. What meals are included in the conference registration?

A. View our [conference website](#) for a full list of the meals included with your full conference registration.

Q. What are the on-site registration hours?

A. Friday, Nov. 6, 2026, 2:00pm – 4:00pm PST

Saturday, Nov. 7, 2026, 7:00am – 5:00pm PST

Sunday, Nov. 8, 2026, 7:00am – 4:30pm PST

Monday, Nov. 9, 2026, 7:00am – 6:00pm PST

Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2026, 7:00am – 4:00pm PST

Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2026, 7:15am – 2:00pm PST

Q. How do I obtain my registration badge for the conference?

A. Badges can be picked up in the registration area of the Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center.

Q. Do I need to pay at the time of registration?

A. No, IAEM offers a [register now, pay later option](#), allowing you to lock in discounted rates and make payment at a later date when your funds are available before the conference.

Q. Do you offer any discounts to registration?

A. Yes. IAEM members received discounted registration. [Become a member today](#) and instantly save up to \$240 off your registration fee. Are you a student or emerging professional? Save up to \$721 off the non-member full registration rate by joining IAEM. Additionally, you can volunteer during the conference and receive a [\\$25 registration discount](#) for each hour completed.

Q. How do I obtain a receipt, invoice or list of training courses or optional events I registered for?

A. In the registration confirmation email sent to you, there is a link to obtain this information. You can pay the amount due, obtain a printable receipt or view an itinerary of training courses or optional events you added to your registration. Can't locate your confirmation email, search your inbox for an email from "IAEM Headquarters" at info@iaem.com. If you still are having troubles locating the email, reach out to us at info@iaem.com.

Q. Can my spouse or significant other that is traveling with me who is not in emergency management attend the conference?

A. Yes, IAEM provides a discounted registration fee with full access to all IAEM sessions and meal functions. In your registration confirmation email, there is a link to add a spouse or significant other. If your spouse or significant other only wants to attend the Sunday

Welcome Party or Wednesday Certification & Awards Banquet, select, pre-conference only as the registration type and select these events.

Q. How do I make changes to my reservation or add a training course or optional outing?

A. In the registration confirmation, there is a link to make edits to your registration. If you cannot locate your registration confirmation email, search your inbox for an email from “IAEM Headquarters” at info@iaem.com. If you are still having troubles, contact us at info@iaem.com.

Q. How do I cancel my registration?

A. Please review our [cancellation policy](#) to find out more information and contact IAEM registrar, Sharon Kelly at Sharon@iaem.com.

Conference Program and Speakers

Q. Where can I find the conference program?

A. You can view the [complete conference program](#) and details on our website. You can even filter by day, keywords and session/event type.

Q. Is the program printable?

A. Yes, the program is printable. After you register you can login to “[My Event Hub](#)”, click on “[My Schedule](#)” and export all the sessions you favorited and the courses and optional events you registered for. You can also print the full conference program by accessing this [page](#).

Q. Is there a conference mobile app?

A. Yes, the mobile app will be available about one month before the conference. The [conference website](#) is also mobile friendly.

Q. Who should attend?

A. Anyone in emergency management and related fields. Visit the [Who Should Attend](#) and [Why Should I Attend](#) pages of the conference website for more information.

Q. Who is speaking at the conference?

A. On the conference website, there is a [listing of all the speakers](#) with information about their presentation. You can also view a listing of our [plenary speakers](#), [EMvision Talks](#), [Early](#)

[Edition Speaker Series](#), [Sunday Federal Updates](#), our [Poster Showcase](#) and information about future [Call for Speakers](#) for our event.

Exhibitors and Sponsors

Q. How can I become an exhibitor or sponsor?

A. You can find out how to become an exhibitor and sponsor on our conference website. Find more information on [exhibiting](#). Find more information on [sponsoring](#).

Q. Where can I find information on exhibitors/sponsors?

A. On our conference website there is a list of current [exhibitors](#) and [sponsors](#). You can view the interactive [floor plan](#) to see the location of their booth.

General Conference Related Questions

Q. Does IAEM have discounted room blocks at local hotels?

A. Yes, reservations can be made in the IAEM discounted room block after you register for the conference. IAEM has a discounted room block at several hotels near the convention center. The prices will range from \$215 - \$255 not including taxes and fees. There will be a limited number of rooms available at the government per diem rate. You will be provided the link to book your hotel in confirmation email received after you register for the conference.

Q. Is their shuttle service to the convention or area hotels?

A. Check with your hotel to see if they provide this service.

Q. What is the recommended attire?

A. Business casual is appropriate attire for most scheduled events. Wednesday, November 11, 2026 is Logo Day – Come to the conference on Wednesday wearing your organization logo. Dress for Wednesday evening's Certification and Awards Banquet is cocktail attire (suit/tie, dress uniform or cocktail dress).

Q. What are the locations and dates of future IAEM Annual Conferences?

A. Nov. 12–18, 2027 | The Broadmoor | Colorado Springs, CO

Nov. 10–16, 2028 | Savannah International Trade & Convention Center | Savannah, GA

Q. Who can I contact for more information?

A. Contact IAEM Staff:

Conference Director Julie Husk for questions regarding the program and speakers at julie@iaem.com.

Registration and payment questions can be sent to Sharon Kelly at Sharon@iaem.com.

Hotel questions should be directed to Michelle Savoie at MSavoie@asmii.net.

Sponsorship questions may be sent to Katie Schlesinger at Katie@iaem.com.

Exhibit questions should be directed to Carol Tagliaferri Carol@iaem.com.