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Inclusion Policy: As a public service to the international business community, we publish a listing of **international business events** for which we receive **written** notification, preferably by e-mail (info@itagc.org). Any organization may submit events that would be of interest to **and are open to** the Illinois international business community. There is no charge. All calendar listings are subject to the editor's discretion. Inclusion of an event does not imply endorsement by any of the sponsoring organizations.

Founded in 1978, the International Trade Association of Greater Chicago (ITA/GC) is a not-for-profit, 501(c)6 voluntary business association dedicated to promoting international commerce in all its forms.

The ITA/GC provides a forum for the exchange of practical information and insight within the international business community. Members share interests in import and export matters, in international investment, alliance, and licensing opportunities, and – in the broader sense – doing business across the world.

The ITA/GC's focus is on practicality: on building knowledge and enabling relationships that help people do international business. While our scope of interest is diverse – all aspects of trading and commercial activity across all geographies and all industries – our work is simple: **to help others gain understanding that is personal, current and actionable.**

New events, and events with additional/revised information, are indicated in Green.

FEATURED ITA/GC PROGRAMS

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- June 21 ***EXPORTING TO MALAYSIA***. Webinar sponsored by U.S. Department of Education, Business and International Education Grant with Governors State University, Illinois SBDC International Trade Center at the Business Development Center, College of DuPage, and the **International Trade Association of Greater Chicago**. Speakers from the U.S. Commercial Service Malaysia and the Malaysian Investment Development Authority will provide strategies to improve your exporting outcomes and provide you with deliverables that show tangible results. The College of Business at Governors State University will provide follow-on international trade advisory services to selected participants. 8:00 – 9:30 a.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07ej4z09zy653214a1&oseq=&c=&ch=>.
- June 27 ***SHIFTING COMMERCIAL PRIORITIES IN THE INDO-PACIFIC***. Executive Briefing & Networking Reception sponsored by the International Trade Association of Greater Chicago and the Illinois SBDC International Trade Center at College of DuPage, Business Development Center. Speakers include: **Blair Lucas**, Co-Founder & Director, Acclime Australia; **Russell Brown**, OBE, CPA, Co-Founder and Partner, LehmanBrown CPA's China; **Kimberly Kirkendall** CPA, President, International Resource Development, Inc. 3:30 – 6:30 p.m., Carlucci Rosemont, 6111 North River Road, Rosemont, IL. Members/Clients of sponsoring organizations - \$20; Non-members - \$40. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/shifting-commercial-priorities-in-the-indo-pacific-tickets-367105601737>.

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July 26 **EXPORTING TO THE PHILIPPINES.** Webinar sponsored by U.S. Department of Education, Business and International Education Grant with Governors State University, Illinois SBDC International Trade Center at the Business Development Center, College of DuPage, and the **International Trade Association of Greater Chicago**. A speaker from the U.S. Commercial Service Philippines will provide strategies to improve your exporting outcomes and provide you with deliverables that show tangible results. 8:00 – 9:30 a.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07ej4x36769af3245a&oseq=&c=&ch=>.

Of Note:

Major Shipping Reform Act Heads to White House: As reported in the ST&R *Trade Report*, the first major update to U.S. shipping laws in nearly a quarter-century is headed to the White House, where President Biden has said he will sign it into law as soon as this week. The bill gives the Federal Maritime Commission new tools to eliminate unfair shipping charges, prevent unreasonable denial of U.S. exports, and improve the oversight and enforcement tools needed to crack down on unfair practices. Details are [here](#). Reported [separately](#) by *American Shipper*, Federal Maritime Commissioner Dan Maffei sounded cautiously optimistic that the bill “will do substantial good.”

Importer Guidance Available for Uyghur Forced Labor Prevention Act: In an effort to prepare importers for the Uyghur Forced Labor Prevention Act (UFLPA) that goes into effect on June 21, 2022, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released a [guidance document](#). The document is intended to provide transparency to CBP’s operational approach and complement the Forced Labor Enforcement Task Force’s strategy. Importers must comply with the importer guidance within the UFLPA Strategy.

Ambassador Katherine Tai on the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework and the Administration’s Trade Agenda: On Monday, June 6th, the Washington International Trade Association and the Asia Society Policy Institute hosted Ambassador Katherine Tai, the United States Trade Representative, for an in-person event. During this event, Ambassador Tai discussed the launch of the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework announced during the President’s trip to Asia, as well as critical trade issues in advance of the Summit of the Americas and the 12th WTO Ministerial. Watch the interview [here](#).

US Import Demand Is Dropping off a Cliff: The latest ocean container bookings data, reports *American Shipper*, reveals that despite the strong levels of inbound cargo during the first five months of 2022, import demand is not just softening – it’s dropping off a cliff. Because capacity on the trans-Pacific has remained relatively stable, Freightos’ container spot rates from China to the West Coast have plunged 38% month-over-month to \$9,630. Container imports bound for the U.S. have dropped over 36% since May 24. The complete story is [here](#).

Record Exports Help Shrink U.S. Trade Deficit: Reuters reports the U.S. trade deficit narrowed by the most in nearly 9-1/2 years in April as exports jumped to a record high, putting trade on course to contribute to economic growth this quarter. The sharp decline reported by the Commerce Department reversed March’s surge and suggested that trade could be shifting back to a more normal pattern. The deficit widened, hitting successive all-time highs, as the United States’ economy led the recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic global downturn. Details are [here](#).

The Price of War: According to a new [report](#) by the OECD, the world is paying a heavy price for Russia’s war in Ukraine. Prior to the war, the world economy was on track for a strong, albeit uneven, recovery from COVID-19. The conflict in Ukraine and the supply-chain disruptions exacerbated by shutdowns in China due to the zero-COVID policy are dealing a serious blow to the recovery. Global GDP growth is now projected to slow sharply this year, to around 3%, and remain at a similar pace in 2023. This is well below the pace of recovery projected last December. Countries worldwide are being hit by higher commodity prices, which add to inflationary pressures and curb real incomes and spending, further dampening the recovery.

Launch of Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF): As reported in Crowell’s international Trade Law Blog, on May 23rd, President Biden, accompanied by Japanese Prime Minister Kishida and Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi, formally unveiled the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF). The agreement is significant as the participating economies represent over 40% of global gross domestic product and include five countries not included in the original Trans-Pacific Partnership negotiations. Participating countries include: India, Vietnam, Indonesia, Thailand, Brunei, the Philippines, Japan, South Korea, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, and Malaysia. Details are [here](#).

The Outlook for Latin America amid the Ukraine War: Growth in Latin American economies has stagnated since the last commodity “supercycle” in 2014. However, following Russia’s invasion of Ukraine, spiking commodities prices could in theory be the catalyst for faster growth rates in the region, says the Encomiast Intelligence Unit. Their free [report](#) explores which countries have the best economic, political and policy environment, to take advantage of the current hike in commodity prices, illustrated using a regional heat map.

Import/Export Certificate: Oakton Community College is now offering a one year, online 12 credit Import/Export Certificate. With the guidance of experienced professionals in the field, you will: Master industry-standard technology, payment systems and contracts; Learn about national and international trade regulations; Gain skills for negotiating across cultures and diverse legal systems; Graduate from the program with the skills you need to gain an entry-level position as a trade analyst, customs analyst, customs consultant, trade coordinator or compliance specialist. Learn more at: <https://catalog.oakton.edu/career-programs-pathways/global-business-studies/import-export-specialist-certificate/>.

USCBC Seeks SMEs to Tell Their China Business Stories: The US-China Business Council (USCBC) is a private, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization of over 260 American companies that do business with China. In 2021, USCBC launched *50 States, 50 Stories*, a subnational initiative dedicated to small- and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and state-level US-China trade. The initiative seeks to highlight more voices from state and local stakeholders, document unique company stories from each state, and dig into the real, tangible impacts of the US-China relationship on American SMEs and local communities. If you want to gain visibility for your company and/or make sure state and national elected leaders know about how business with China is important for your company and community, please contact Elizabeth Rowland, USCBC Director of Subnational Initiatives (erowland@uschina.org), to schedule an interview to share your story. SME stories will be published on USCBC’s *50 States, 50 Stories* webpage and pitched to state and local media outlets.

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June 20 - ***U.S. - SAUDI ARABIA - KUWAIT VIRTUAL TECH BUSINESS MATCHMAKING PROGRAM.***

Sponsored by the U.S. Commercial Service, the purpose of the program is to connect U.S. firms to business prospects in the Tech subsectors of cybersecurity, smart city infrastructure and technology solutions, artificial intelligence markets, and cloud computing. For the fee of \$250, the project will generate virtual one-to-one business meetings with prospective buyers, agents, distributors, and joint venture partners. For information & registration, please see:

<https://emenuapps.ita.doc.gov/ePublic/event/editWebReg.do?SmartCode=2QE8>.

June 20 ***INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC IN ARMS REGULATIONS (ITAR).*** Webinar, sponsored by the Global Training Center, will cover: *The international traffic in arms regulations and United States Munitions List; Registration with the State Department; ITAR technical data controls; ITAR licenses; Compliance and enforcement; Regulation of brokering activities.* 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$395. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.globaltrainingcenter.com/event/itar-webinar-9/>.

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June 21 ***EXPORT ADMINISTRATION REGULATIONS (EAR).*** Webinar, sponsored by the Global Training Center, will focus on: *Who needs to comply?; General prohibitions; Determine if you are subject to EAR; Be aware of Export Control Reform changes; Know who are prohibited parties; Record keeping requirements; Determine if your product or software is covered by the Commerce Control List (CCL); Learn to determine your Export Control Classification Numbers (ECCN); Determine license requirements.* 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$395. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.globaltrainingcenter.com/event/ear-webinar-9/>.

- June 21 ***M&A IN THE AEROSPACE AND DEFENSE INDUSTRY UNDER U.S. EXPORT CONTROLS, SANCTIONS, AND FOREIGN INVESTMENT LAWS.*** Virtual Aerospace and Defense Luncheon, sponsored by Miller Canfield, will discuss the key U.S. regulatory issues affecting acquisitions of A&D targets. 11:00 a.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_oetOJ6BCRimf467hMsKRCg.
- June 21 ***THE PANAMA-U.S. FREE TRADE AGREEMENT.*** Webinar, sponsored by the World Trade Research Institute, will explain the details of the agreement and how you can take advantage of these opportunities. 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$65. For information & registration, please see: <https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07ej7s860h9f7265d6&oseq=&c=&ch=>.
- June 21 ***GLOBAL BUSINESS COMPLEXITY INDEX 2022 – PRE-LAUNCH.*** Sponsored by TMF Group, you are invited to the pre-launch of their annual “Global Business Complexity Index” report detailing the key trends influencing the ease of doing business across the globe. Reception follows. 5:30 – 8:30 p.m., Roof on the Wit - 27 floor, 201 North State Street, Chicago. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please click [here](#).
- June 21 ***FIRESIDE CHAT: HEALTHCARE TRADE MISSION TO SOUTHEAST ASIA.*** Webinar, sponsored by the U.S. Commercial Service, will discuss how your company can benefit from this trade mission, September 19-23. 7:00 p.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://emenuapps.ita.doc.gov/ePublic/event/editWebReg.do?SmartCode=2QJ8>.
- June 22 - 23 ***2022 LGBTQI+ US-MEXICO TRAVEL & TOURISM FORUM.*** Virtual program sponsored by the U.S. Commercial Service Mexico with: Brand USA; the National Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce; and the International Gay and Lesbian Travel Association. This forum represents an unparalleled opportunity to support post COVID-19 economic recovery and promote the development of minorities within the United States and Mexico. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.trade.gov/2022-lgbtqi-us-mexico-travel-tourism-forum>.
- June 22 ***AEO AUTHORIZATION: A PASS FOR ITALY-USA TRADE.*** Webinar. sponsored by the Italian-American Chamber of Commerce, in collaboration with Banca Popolare di Sondrio and Qvadra AEO Specialists S.R.L, will provide insights and expertise on both the requisites for obtaining the authorization, statistical data, and countries in question, and on the detail of the reduction of controls, flow management, and resource optimization thanks to mutual recognition. 8:00 – 9:15 a.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/OjZJR4g?source_id=0c69ef1c-d286-4e2c-9319-21a90cd371a8&source_type=em&c=f0Is0jnY98vZPd26h_0HX5SBG2WjZdMH4p-Kwt_b8bzKKrk8pZmNIA=.
- June 22 ***EXPORTING PROCEDURES.*** Webinar, sponsored by the Global Training Center, will cover: *Structuring Export Sales to Foreign Markets; Negotiating Your Contract and Meeting Its Terms; Incoterms® 2020, Product Transportation & Risk of Loss; Customs & Tariff Planning Considerations; Export Controls; Freight Forwarders, Packing, Transportation, and Insurance; Reporting the Export; Export Documentation Air and Ocean.* 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$595. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.globaltrainingcenter.com/event/exporting-procedures-webinar-5/>.
- June 22 ***GET TRADESHOW READY IN UNDER 30 MINUTES.*** Webinar, sponsored by IBT Online, will share expertise, case studies, client testimonials, and experience in maximizing your presence at tradeshows. 10:00 a.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://info.ibt.onl/online-tools-optimize-tradeshows-2022>.
- June 22 ***STRUCTURING INTERNATIONAL CONTRACTS: CHOICE OF LAW, JURISDICTION, LANGUAGE, ARBITRATION CLAUSES, TERMS OF ART.*** Webinar, sponsored by Harris Bricken, will guide counsel to companies doing business internationally on key considerations when structuring international contracts. The panel will discuss core contract provisions and offer strategies for addressing and minimizing the risks inherent to international business dealings. 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://harrisbricken.com/blog/upcoming-cle-webinar-on-structuring-international-contracts/>.

- June 22 ***ADVANCED CLASSIFICATION PART 3: ESSENTIALLY ESSENTIAL.*** Third in a 4-part series of webinars sponsored by Sandler, Travis & Rosenberg, P.A. This session covers classifying combinations of all kinds. 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$200. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.strtrade.com/training/events/upcoming-webinars/advanced-classification-part-3-essentially-essential>.
- June 22 ***ACCELERATING THE GROWTH OF THE NEW BLUE ECONOMY.*** Webinar, sponsored by the U.S. Commercial Service, will feature an overview of NOAA's developments in ocean and coastal intelligence that enable solutions for economic and societal challenges as well as export opportunities for U.S. technologies. 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://emenuapps.ita.doc.gov/ePublic/event/editWebReg.do?SmartCode=2QJA>.
- June 22 ***EUROPEAN PROFESSIONALS NETWORK.*** Networking event sponsored by 11 European chambers of commerce in Chicago. 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., W Chicago – Lakeshore. 644 North Lake Shore Drive, Chicago. Members - \$20; Non-members - \$25. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.gaccmidwest.org/en/events/event-details/european-professionals-network-3>.
- June 23 ***THE FUTURE OF ECONOMIC ORDER IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION.*** Hybrid program sponsored by the Center for Strategic & International Studies and JETRO. Speakers include: **Marisa Lago**, Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade; **Nobuhiko Sasaki**, Chairman and CEO, JETRO; **Xinquan Tu**, Dean and Professor, China Institute for WTO Studies, University of International Business & Economics, Beijing (virtual); **Mie Oba**, Professor, Faculty of Law, Kanagawa University (virtual); **Simon Tay**, Chairman, Singapore Institute of International Affairs; **Matthew P. Goodman**, Senior Vice President for Economics, CSIS. 8:00 – 9:30 a.m. CDT, 1616 Rhode Island Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.csis.org/events/future-economic-order-asia-pacific-region>.
- June 23 ***INCOTERMS® 2020.*** Webinar, sponsored by the Global Training Center, will cover: *Trade Terms for Domestic and International Transactions; Incoterms® 2020 Product Transportation and Risk of Loss; Terms for Any Mode; Maritime Terms; Costing Methods; Case Studies; Mistakes Made: Court Cases Involving Incoterms® Rules.* 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$395. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.globaltrainingcenter.com/event/incoterms-2020-webinar-5/>.
- June 23 ***INFORMATION SESSION: SELL GLOBAL WITH EXPORTING ASSISTANCE SERVICES.*** Webinar, sponsored by the Illinois SBDC International Trade Center at College of Lake County, will discuss why exporting is a sustainable opportunity to increase revenue and is an organic business strategy. Additional topics include: benefits of exporting; myths about exporting; export readiness; mitigating risks; and new-to-exporting requirements and procedures. 10:00 – 10:30 a.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/information-sessions-sell-global-with-exporting-assistance-services-registration-200438245187>.
- June 23 ***SMART CITY EXPO WORLD CONGRESS (SCEWC) 2022.*** Webinar, sponsored by the U.S. Commercial Service, will help answer the important question of exhibiting in 2022 or walking the show floor to prepare to exhibit in 2023 forward. The webinar will showcase the USA Pavilion floor plan where many B2B and B2C meeting will take place. The webinar will also feature an overview of the show, provide a glimpse of value add by the U.S. Department of Commerce, and a U.S. company's journey toward export success across the globe. 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://trade.webex.com/webappng/sites/trade/meeting/register/c4d4fc44704e4a48abba3abf47e0265b?ticket=4832534b0000004e56743396b3bb59895efcbf05ac6e21f018562307f47e40f32609c38f0863413×tamp=1654726220940>.

- June 23 ***PRIDE & TRADE 2022: GO GLOBAL WITH NGLCC, EXIM & USCS.*** Webinar, sponsored by the Export-Import Bank of the United States (EXIM), the National LGBT Chamber of Commerce (NGLCC), and the US Commercial Service (USCS), will discuss advancing inclusive economic growth for the LGBT community and resources and programs that are available to help underserved U.S. businesses succeed in exporting around the world. Topics include: EXIM Export Tools that Reduce Risk; NGLCC Mission of Economic Empowerment; USCS Global Diversity Export Initiative. 12:00 p.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: https://us02web.zoom.us/join/1116545201854?pwd=J85asTVsO3VAVtd7TsvpA7utm_campaign=Pride%20%26%20Trade%20FY22&utm_medium=email&hsmi=215505338&hsenc=p2ANqtz-8UiV0wV8dXV5s-pGTml6PxX93LZYgyjdeiT2ZayzJ9bRkwo_btgcVgUrq6lk9r1JFo0J1fPpGE3B3bhVv42KWUUG&utm_content=215505338&utm_source=hs_email.
- June 23 ***CURRENCY OPTIONS: A WORLD BEYOND FORWARDS FOR CORPORATE HEDGERS.*** Webinar, sponsored by Corpay, will cover: Zero-cost option hedges as an alternative to forward contracts; How options can offer more optimal hedges given prevailing market conditions; The various tiers of options and how they can effectively accommodate opportunistic hedging strategies. 1:00 p.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: https://onlineexperiences.com/scripts/Server.nxp?LASCmd=AI:4:F:QS!10100&ShowUUID=F9D566F9-2BAD-4DA8-8C92-6F057EEEE127&mkt_tok=NTc2LU5OQi0xOTMAAAGExQFNzN0-0WM3t9SzMTJORY4lb2gavfIqTelzSm5OdKYw_DZdURvN-vyOOFqsv55CKs7OR_jLdFw_6yZTSAuUGyFlukIYaCT5sgs-
- June 23 ***PROMOTING CLEAN TECH OPPORTUNITIES IN THE MARITIME INDUSTRY IN LATIN AMERICA.*** Webinar, sponsored by the U.S. Commercial Service, will describe the U.S. Go Green & Blue Initiative in Latin America and how the U.S. Commercial Service and other U.S. Government agencies can help your business thrive when looking to do business in Latin America. 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://trade.webex.com/webappng/sites/trade/meeting/register/6839802d306e48998bad6ef71b1aa36f?ticket=4832534b00000004ccced9eadbe9bc067af5a17ffe3f2656404e2ad909f41eeef6e12224882f248b69×tamp=1655312489951>,
- June 23 ***ALL ABOUT DUTY DRAWBACK.*** Webinar, sponsored by A.N. Deringer, will review the history of Duty Drawback and examine current implementation and regulations. 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$25. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/all-about-duty-drawback-tickets-365674641697>.
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- June 24 ***EXPORT READINESS FOR THE UNDERSERVED BUSINESS COMMUNITY WITH EXIM.*** Webinar sponsored by Minority and Women-Owned Business Division, EXIM. The program will focus on: *Introduction to U.S. Export-Import Bank (EXIM) and the U.S. Commercial Service; What is Export Credit Insurance and Working Capital; What you need to understand before you start exporting goods and services; Tools and resources available to help start your exporting journey; How to get approved for an EXIM policy.* 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/export-readiness-for-the-underserved-business-community-with-exim-tickets-149589230415>.
- June 26 - ***CUSTOMS BROKERAGE LICENSE NATIONWIDE PREPARATION WORKSHOP - OCTOBER 2022***
 Oct. 16 ***EXAMINATION.*** Virtual workshop, sponsored by The World Academy, will assist you in the development of test taking reference familiarization, time management, Customs Regulations reference and Harmonized Tariff Schedule determination that will result in positive results in the development of each participant test taking ability towards a passing grade. Fee: \$1,625. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.theworldacademy.com/copy-of-2021-customs-broker-course>.

- June 27 **GEOPOLITICAL DYNAMICS IMPACTING SUPPLY CHAINS.** Second Annual virtual Global Trade Week event (Day 1 of 3) sponsored by *The Economist*. Panel topics include: *Mapping a plan to overcome the global microchip shortages; To what extent can global trade be a driver for post-pandemic economic recovery?; How UAE's non-oil economic diversification opens up new opportunities for international trade; Will local supply chains backfire or triumph?; What is the outlook for the inflationary environment?; Concluding trade in services negotiations - where to from here?; Changing tariffs and trade barriers —are you prepared?* 6:00 – 11:00 a.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: https://events.economist.com/global-trade-week/?RefID=email44ROW&utm_source=email&utm_medium=Eloqua&utm_campaign=globaltrade&utm_content=email44ROW.
- June 27 **EBRD: IMPACT OF GLOBAL CHALLENGES ON CENTRAL ASIA, EASTERN EUROPE AND CAUCASUS' ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.** Webinar sponsored by the American Uzbekistan Chamber of Commerce. Speakers include: **Beata Javorcik**, Chief Economist, EBRD; **Dimitar Bogov**, Regional Lead Economist for Eastern Europe and Caucasus, EBRD; **Eric Livny**, Lead Economist for the Central Asian region on Impact of Global Challenges on Central Asia, Eastern Europe and Transcaucasus Economic Development, EBRD; **Benjamin Todd** (Moderator), Principal, Business Development, North America, EBRD. 8:00 a.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_SR2NWmObThmYMARoB7BSBg.
- June 27 **TARIFF CLASSIFICATION.** Webinar, sponsored by the Global Training Center, will cover: *Structure of the HTS; Difference between HTSUS and Schedule B; Tariff classification of products for imports and exports; General Rules of Interpretation (GRI); General Notes; How to apply for and use U.S. Customs classification rulings.* 8:30 ; a.m. – 4:00 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$595. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.globaltrainingcenter.com/event/tariff-classification-webinar-5/>.
- June 27 **WIN CONTRACTS AT THE WORLD BANK.** Webinar, sponsored by the World Trade Research Institute, will show you how to find out about WB projects and how your company can win contracts at the World Bank. 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. CDT. Fee: \$65. For information & registration, please see: <https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07ej7tzipo012fa311a&oseq=&c=&ch=>.
- June 27 **ARE YOU PREPARED FOR UYGHUR FORCED LABOR PREVENTION ACT (UFLPA) IMPLEMENTATION?** Webinar, sponsored by ArentFox Schiff, will discuss how this law will impact your company and how to prevent detention of your imports. 1:00 p.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://ecomms.afslaw.com/s/b4f99c47386286959493bad1dd96b4d4ac0b5fe9/h=ff0092678a052cc5161382e9b743ab696506e696/>
- June 27 **SHIFTING COMMERCIAL PRIORITIES IN THE INDO-PACIFIC.** Executive Briefing & Networking Reception sponsored by the International Trade Association of Greater Chicago and the Illinois SBDC International Trade Center at College of DuPage, Business Development Center. Speakers include: **Blair Lucas**, Co-Founder & Director, Acclime Australia; **Russell Brown**, OBE, CPA, Co-Founder and Partner, LehmanBrown CPA's China; **Kimberly Kirkendall** CPA, President, International Resource Development, Inc. 3:30 – 6:30 p.m., Carlucci Rosemont, 6111 North River Road, Rosemont, IL. Members/Clients of sponsoring organizations - \$20; Non-members - \$40. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/shifting-commercial-priorities-in-the-indo-pacific-tickets-367105601737>.
- June 28 - 30 **RESILIENCE & REINVENTION: THE AMCHAM BUSINESS SUMMIT 2022.** Hybrid event is a strategic platform for strengthening two-way trade and investment between the U.S. and East Africa. By unleashing the power of private enterprise in driving long-term economic ties, enhancing trade and promoting investment, the Summit aims to expand commercial opportunities and markets for U.S. and East African businesses. Fees for in-person and virtual tickets vary. For information & registration, please see: <https://amchambizsummit.com/>.

- June 28 **USMCA THE MODERNIZED NAFTA.** Webinar, sponsored by the Global Training Center, will cover: *USMCA Introduction; Definitions; A Closer Look at Origination; Finer Points of Origination; USMCA and Special Sectors; Origin Certification; USMCA in the Organization; Country of Origin for Marking Purposes; Article 2 USMCA's Effects on Temporary Entry, Duty Deferral and Duty Drawback.* 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$595. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.globaltrainingcenter.com/event/usmca-the-modernized-nafta-webinar-5/>.
- June 28 **CHALLENGES OF SOURCING 5 KEY INDUSTRIAL COMPONENTS IN MEXICO.** Webinar, sponsored by East West Associates, will address the challenges of sourcing these industrial components from Mexico: Aluminum extrusion; Castings & machined parts; Forgings; Metal stampings & Fabrication; Injection molded & extruded plastics. 10:00 a.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1732911013461112076>,
- June 28 **CUSTOMS PROTESTS & RULING REQUESTS: WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?** Webinar sponsored by ICPA Global Partner Braumiller Law Group & Tuttle Law, will provide you with a clear understanding of when and how to use these tools to communicate your position with CBP, and review important tricks and techniques for preparing a winning argument. 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://web.cvent.com/attendee-login?>.
- June 28 **UYGHUR FORCED LABOR BAN ENFORCEMENT DETAILS.** Webinar, sponsored by Sandler, Travis & Rosenberg, P.A., explores the implications of CBP enforcement efforts on the UFLPA that begin June 21. 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$200. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.strtrade.com/training/events/upcoming-webinars/uyghur-forced-labor-ban-enforcement-details>.
- June 28 **STRUCTURING AN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION WITHIN THE U.S. TAX SYSTEM.** Webinar, sponsored by Plane Moran, will discuss the anti-hybrid legislation and what it means for business owners, as well as the details of “check-the-box” entity classification and how anti-hybrid is affecting this choice, and lastly, a discussion of C corporation structuring. 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: https://www.planemoran.com/explore-our-thinking/events/2022/06/structuring-an-international-organization-within-the-us-tax-system?utm_source=Invite_1&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=WB-TX-2022-06-28-INTL-Structuring_Webinar_1979&utm_content=Main_CTA&mkf_tok=01Q21UNUWS02MDEAAAGE7NWxocd8K6c8Zy1HsDH56Sb_zlvaMZ0mOHuIH9yqAz4ZkqBY1_jCqZohwNep6EOWT2qS446ate50z2ZUc8Y1dfl_w_00m7evdq9ou.
- June 28 **EXPORT CONTROLS & COMPLIANCE.** Webinar, sponsored by the World Trade Research Institute, will cover U.S. export controls including Export Administration Regulations, ITAR, and Trade Sanctions. 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$65. For information & registration, please see: <https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07ej7tzpop9e66c5fa&oseq=&c=&ch=>.
- June 29 **DIGITAL TRADE AND TRADE FINANCE.** Second Annual virtual Global Trade Week event (Day 2 of 3) sponsored by *The Economist*. Panel topics include: *How can we accelerate digital trade platform interoperability?; How can digital trade agreements help?; Why emerging technologies should be included in digital trade agreements; Blockchain - unveiling its potential; How trade and liquidity can help businesses manage global issues; How safe is your supply chain from cybercrime? Risk-reduction strategies; How much progress has Philip Morris International made? Fighting illicit tobacco trade; How industrial AI can enable smart and resilient manufacturing.* 6:00 – 10:30 a.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: https://events.economist.com/global-trade-week/?RefID=email44ROW&utm_source=email&utm_medium=Eloqua&utm_campaign=globaltrade&utm_content=email44ROW.
- June 29 **INTERNATIONAL LOGISTICS.** Webinar, sponsored by the Global Training Center, will cover: *International Logistics Partners; Securing Your International Supply Chain; Ocean Bills of Lading and Common Carriers Obligations toward the Shipper; Ocean Transportation; Air Freight Transportation; Insurance; International Supply Chain Documentation.* 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$595. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.globaltrainingcenter.com/event/international-logistics-webinar-3/>.

- June 29 ***NETHERLANDS, PORTUGAL, & FRANCE COFFEE CHAT: WOMEN IN TECH OPPORTUNITIES.*** Webinar, sponsored by the U.S. Commercial Service in advance of a trade mission, will provide an overview of Women in Tech opportunities in the Netherlands, Portugal and France and provide information about the Women in Tech Trade Mission to these countries scheduled for October 30-November 5, 2022. 12:00 p.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://emenuapps.ita.doc.gov/ePublic/event/editWebReg.do?SmartCode=2QJ6>.
- June 29 ***WASH, RINSE, REPEAT: BEST PRACTICES FOR EXHIBITING AT INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY SHOWS.*** Webinar, sponsored by the U.S. Commercial Service, will describe what to expect at an international beauty show (domestic or abroad) and best practices from attracting buyers to following up after the show. 1:00 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$25. For information & registration, please see: <https://emenuapps.ita.doc.gov/ePublic/event/editWebReg.do?SmartCode=2QJB>.
- June 30 ***GREENING TRADE AND BUILDING SUSTAINABLE SUPPLY CHAINS.*** Second Annual virtual Global Trade Week event (Day 3 of 3) sponsored by *The Economist*. Panel topics include: *Delivering a greener, fairer global economy; New Zealand's vision of green trade and sustainability; How should supply chain and procurement officers respond to COP26 outcomes?; How CPOs can assume leadership for ESG implementation; Dropping anchor and decarbonising shipping; How do companies create purpose-driven supply chains?; How to eradicate forced labour in global supply chains; What is the European Commission's trade strategy?* 6:00 – 11:30 a.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: https://events.economist.com/global-trade-week/?RefID=email44ROW&utm_source=email&utm_medium=Eloqua&utm_campaign=globaltrade&utm_content=email44ROW.
- June 30 ***DIGITAL GOVERNMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN HONDURAS.*** Webinar, sponsored by the U.S. Commercial Service, will describe upcoming ICT tenders with the Honduran government. 9:00 a.m. CDT. Fee: \$100. For information & registration, please see: <https://emenuapps.ita.doc.gov/ePublic/event/editWebReg.do?SmartCode=2QJ7>.
- June 30 ***BENEFIT FROM THE FUTURE OF ONLINE B2B SALES.*** Webinar, sponsored by IBT Online and the National Association of District Export Councils, will demonstrate how to grow your exports, sales, brand and business globally. 9:00 a.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://info.ibt.onl/nadec-webinar-2022>.
- July 6 ***FIRST SALE VALUATION AND REDUCING SECTION 301 TARIFFS.*** Webinar, sponsored by Sandler, Travis & Rosenberg, P.A. , will help importers determine whether the use of first sale is worth pursuing and explain how importers can exercise reasonable care in using this valuation methodology. 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$200. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.strtrade.com/training/events/upcoming-webinars/first-sale-valuation-and-reducing-section-301-tariffs>.
- July 12 ***AEROMART TOULOUSE 2022.*** Webinar, sponsored by the U.S. Commercial Service, will describe how AEROMART connects OEMs and their Tier 1 & 2 suppliers with manufacturers and service providers from both civil and defense aviation, through a series of individually tailored, B2B meetings. 10:00 a.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://trade.webex.com/webappng/sites/trade/meeting/register/ee9ebf1a24ad44128417e89b799dd8f4?ticket=4832534b0000000470092156312ab869f6272a10e8311db91e381e0a79b6e33bbe562dcdca15311e6×tamp=1655322675558>.
- July 12 ***APPAREL CLASSIFICATION SERIES: ADVANCED TOPICS.*** Webinar, sponsored by Sandler, Travis & Rosenberg, P.A., will present updated content to take into consideration the HS2022 changes and will examine some of the more advanced topics in classification. 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$200. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.strtrade.com/training/events/upcoming-webinars/apparel-classification-series-advanced-topics>.

- July 13 **ADVANCED CLASSIFICATION PART 4: PREFERENTIAL CLASSIFICATIONS.** Last of a 4-part series of webinars sponsored by Sandler, Travis & Rosenberg, P.A. This session focuses on duty exemptions by classification. 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$200. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.strtrade.com/training/events/upcoming-webinars/advanced-classification-part-4-preferential-classifications>.
- July 13 **MANUFACTURING EXPORT.** Webinar sponsored by North Branch Works and the Illinois District Export Council. Speakers include: **Lauro Arias**, Asst. Deputy Director, Office of Trade & Investment, Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity; **Sonat Birnecker Hart**, President, KOVAL Distillery; **Gayle Roenbaugh**, Export Finance Manager, Office of International Trade, Small Business Administration; **Ursula M. Wegrzynowicz**, Regional Director, Export-Import Bank of the United States; **Jonathan Snyder**, Executive Director, North Branch Works. 4:00 p.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_os4sxsETQsGtDOLw1lxqxw.
- July 14 **ADVANCED MANUFACTURING IN THE AMERICAS: BRAZIL.** Second of a three-part series of webinars, sponsored by the U.S. Commercial Service, discussing the Advanced Manufacturing-related opportunities for U.S. exporters to sell to Canada, Mexico, Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, Paraguay, and Brazil. 12:00 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$50 for the series. For information & registration, please see: <https://emenuapps.ita.doc.gov/ePublic/event/editWebReg.do?SmartCode=2QJ1>.
- July 17 - **BAKING INDUSTRY TRADE MISSION TO BRAZIL (SAO PAULO).** The U.S. Commercial Service 20 (USCS), the American Bakers Association, the Bakery Equipment Manufacturers & Allied (BEMA) with the support of mdg, are organizing this Trade Mission to Brazil to learn how the baking industry has changed in a post-pandemic environment and to introduce U.S. suppliers of products and services to key contacts, potential partners and clients in the Brazilian market. For more information contact: Igly Serafim at Igly.Serafim@trade.gov; for an application, please see: <https://emenuapps.ita.doc.gov/ePublic/TM/2N2D>.
- July 18 **SUMMER INNOVATION SHOWCASE: CYBER SECURITY IN OUR NEW WORLD.** Event sponsored by the America-Israel Chamber of Commerce Chicago and the America-Israel Economic Forum. In addition to a U.S. - Israel Cyber Security Panel, the keynote speaker is **Michael G. Masters**, National Director & CEO, Secure Community Network. 5:30 – 8:30 p.m., Marshall's Landing, 222 West Merchandise Mart Pl, Chicago. AICC Members - \$51.50; Non—members - \$77.25. For information & registration, please see: <https://americaisrael.org/event-4838022>.
- July 19 **ADVANCED MANUFACTURING IN THE AMERICAS: ARGENTINA, CHILE, PARAGUAY & URUGUAY.** Last of a three-part series of webinars, sponsored by the U.S. Commercial Service, discussing the Advanced Manufacturing-related opportunities for U.S. exporters to sell to Canada, Mexico, Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, Paraguay, and Brazil. 12:00 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$50 for the series. For information & registration, please see: <https://emenuapps.ita.doc.gov/ePublic/event/editWebReg.do?SmartCode=2QJ1>.
- July 20 **INTERNATIONAL LOGISTICS.** Webinar, sponsored by the Global Training Center, will cover: *International Logistics Partners; Securing Your International Supply Chain; Ocean Bills of Lading and Common Carriers Obligations toward the Shipper; Ocean Transportation; Air Freight Transportation; Insurance; International Supply Chain Documentation.* 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Chicago Schaumburg, 800 National Parkway, Schaumburg, IL Fee: \$645. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.globaltrainingcenter.com/event/international-logistics-chicago-il-2/>.

- July 21 **EXPORTING PROCEDURES.** Training program, sponsored by the Global Training Center, will cover: *Structuring Export Sales to Foreign Markets; Negotiating Your Contract and Meeting Its Terms; Incoterms® 2020, Product Transportation & Risk of Loss; Customs & Tariff Planning Considerations; Export Controls; Freight Forwarders, Packing, Transportation, and Insurance; Reporting the Export; Export Documentation Air and Ocean.* 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Chicago Schaumburg, 800 National Parkway, Schaumburg, IL Fee: \$445. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.globaltrainingcenter.com/event/exporting-procedures-chicago-il-2/>.
- July 22 **MISSOURI RIVER TERMINAL PROJECT IS A GAME CHANGER FOR KANSAS CITY.** Breakfast program sponsored by the International Trade Council of Greater Kansas City. Presentation by **Richard Grenville**, Vice President, Multimodal Logistics, Port KC. 7:30 – 9:00 a.m., Port KC, 110 Berkley Plaza, Kansas City, MO. ITCGKC Members - \$30; Non-members - \$40. For information & registration, please see: <https://itcgkc.org/event-4834822>.
- July 22 **INCOTERMS® 2020.** Training program, sponsored by the Global Training Center, will cover: *Trade Terms for Domestic and International Transactions; Incoterms® 2020 Product Transportation and Risk of Loss; Terms for Any Mode; Maritime Terms; Costing Methods; Case Studies; Mistakes Made: Court Cases Involving Incoterms® Rules.* 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Chicago Schaumburg, 800 National Parkway, Schaumburg, IL Fee: \$645. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.globaltrainingcenter.com/event/exporting-procedures-chicago-il-2/>.
- July 26 **EXPORTING TO THE PHILIPPINES.** Webinar sponsored by U.S. Department of Education, Business and International Education Grant with Governors State University, Illinois SBDC International Trade Center at the Business Development Center, College of DuPage, and the **International Trade Association of Greater Chicago**. A speaker from the U.S. Commercial Service Philippines will provide strategies to improve your exporting outcomes and provide you with deliverables that show tangible results. 8:00 – 9:30 a.m. CDT. No fee; advance registration required. For information & registration, please see: <https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07ej4x36769af3245a&oseq=&c=&ch=>.
- July 27 - **ASIAN LICENSING CONFERENCE.** Virtual conference, sponsored by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council and Licensing International, will focus on the growing Asian market as it brings together top-notch global licensing executives and Asian entrepreneurs with the aim of shaping an Asian agenda for the worldwide licensing industry. Key discussion topics include: Topical issues (metaverse; NFTs); Sustainability; Direct-to-Retail; Arts & Culture; Entertainment; Brand forums. Expert speakers representing various sectors of the industry from around the world will share their insights and experience with the participants, while exploring the opportunities and challenges in the lucrative business of Asian licensing. For information & registration, please see: https://alc.hktcdc.com/en/?DCSext.dept=11&WT.mc_id=1856948.
- Aug. 1 - **VIRTUAL CUSTOMS BROKER EXAM PREP COURSE – OCTOBER 2022 EXAM.** Sponsored by Sandler, Travis & Rosenberg, P.A., this course is designed to prepare attendees to take and pass the customs broker examination. Its extensive overview of the customs brokerage/import process makes it also a great option for those looking for training in this field. The course includes 40 hours of class instruction on topics such as broker regulations, entry, classification, valuation, free trade agreements, antidumping/countervailing duty, fines, penalties and forfeitures, bonds, country of origin marking, liquidation, search and seizure, and intellectual property. Virtual sessions are Mondays & Thursdays, 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$1,050. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.strtrade.com/training/events/upcoming-webinars/virtual-customs-broker-exam-prep-course-october-2022-exam>.
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<https://www.globaltrainingcenter.com/products/hybrid/building-blocks-of-international-trade/>.
- Aug. 2 **TARIFF CLASSIFICATION**. Webinar, sponsored by the Global Training Center, will cover: *Structure of the HTS; Difference between HTSUS and Schedule B; Tariff classification of products for imports and exports; General Rules of Interpretation (GRI); General Notes; How to apply for and use U.S. Customs classification rulings.* 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Chicago Schaumburg, 800 National Parkway, Schaumburg, IL Fee: \$645. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.globaltrainingcenter.com/event/tariff-classification-chicago-il-2/>.
- Aug. 3 **USMCA THE MODERNIZED NAFTA**. Webinar, sponsored by the Global Training Center, will cover: *USMCA Introduction; Definitions; A Closer Look at Origination; Finer Points of Origination; USMCA and Special Sectors; Origin Certification; USMCA in the Organization; Country of Origin for Marking Purposes; Article 2 USMCA's Effects on Temporary Entry, Duty Deferral and Duty Drawback.* 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Chicago Schaumburg, 800 National Parkway, Schaumburg, IL Fee: \$645. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.globaltrainingcenter.com/event/usmca-the-modernized-nafta-chicago-il-2/>.
- Aug. 4 **IMPORTING PROCEDURES**. Training program, sponsored by the Global Training Center, will cover: *The Import Regulatory Environment; Valuation; Country of Origin and Marking; Overview of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the U.S.; Duty Determination; Entry; Record Keeping; Other Import Considerations; Customs Enforcement; Customs Security.* 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Chicago Schaumburg, 800 National Parkway, Schaumburg, IL Fee: \$645. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.globaltrainingcenter.com/importing-procedures/>.
- Aug. 17 **APPAREL CLASSIFICATION SERIES: RECREATIONAL PERFORMANCE OUTERWEAR**. Webinar, sponsored by Sandler, Travis & Rosenberg, P.A., will the new terminology introduced by the TFTEA that companies importing woven jackets, pants, and other garments must understand to classify their products accurately. 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. CDT. Fee: \$200. For information & registration, please see: <https://www.strtrade.com/training/events/upcoming-webinars/apparel-classification-series-recreational-performance-outerwear>.
- Aug. 21 - **TRADE MISSION TO CENTRAL AMERICA AND BUSINESS CONFERENCE**. The Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration is organizing a trade mission to Central America that will include the Trade Americas – Business Opportunities in Central America Conference in Guatemala City, Guatemala on March 28-28. The mission is open to U.S. companies from a cross section of industries with growing potential in Central America, but is focused on U.S. companies representing best prospects sectors such as: Agriculture, Automotive Parts, Accessories, and Service Equipment, Construction Equipment and Services, Cosmetics, Cybersecurity, Design and Construction, Disposable Medical Supplies, Education and Training, Energy, Franchising, Information and Communications Technology, Medical Equipment, Packaging Equipment & Machinery, Plastics, Safety & Security, Solar Energy Products, Travel and Tourism. Following the Business Conference, participants will have the opportunity to make separate country visits to Costa Rica, Belize, El Salvador, Honduras, Panama. Registration deadline: **May 27**. For information & an application, please see: <https://emenuapps.ita.doc.gov/ePublic/TM/2R1K>.

- Sep. 19 - **INDIA AEROSPACE TRADE MISSION**. Organized and led by United States Department of
23 Commerce, International Trade Administration, the purpose of the mission is to introduce U.S. companies to India's aerospace ecosystem and assist delegate companies with finding business partners and exporting their products and services to the region. The mission will help participating firms and organizations gain market insights, make industry contacts, solidify business strategies, and advance specific projects, with the goal of increasing U.S. exports to India. The mission will include customized one-on-one business appointments with pre-screened potential buyers, agents, distributors, and joint venture partners. It will also include meetings with central, state, and local government officials and industry leaders, as well as networking events. For information & an application, please see: <https://www.trade.gov/aerospace-trade-mission-india>.
- Sep. 19 - **HEALTHCARE TRADE MISSION TO SOUTHEAST ASIA (THAILAND, VIETNAM, MALAYSIA)**. Led
23 by the U.S. International Trade Administration, this mission will assist U.S. health sector exporters to build opportunities to expand industry contacts and increase export sales to Southeast Asia. Mission participants will gain firsthand knowledge of Thailand, Vietnam and Malaysia through: Market briefings; Matchmaking appointments; Site visits; Policy-focused briefings; Introductions to hospitals and clinical laboratories, government healthcare agencies, distributors, and others who could benefit from U.S. products and services. Application deadline: June 30. For information & an application, please see: <https://www.trade.gov/healthcare-trade-mission-southeast-asia>.
- Sep. 20 - **DISCOVER GLOBAL MARKETS: THE BLUE ECONOMY – A NEW AGE IN OCEAN TECHNOLOGY, SUSTAINABILITY AND LOGISTICS**. Event sponsored by the U.S. Department of Commerce. Gain
22 market insights from industry experts from U.S. Embassies around the world including: Australia, Brazil, Canada, France, India, Italy, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Singapore, Spain, Netherlands, Norway, and the United Kingdom. Participate in matchmaking meetings with buyers, distributors, government officials and potential partners. Hear from OEMs and primes about overseas projects and their supplier pipeline needs. Learn about U.S. government export programs designed to cut your time to market. Providence, RI. Fee: \$495 (by May 31; \$645 hereafter). For information & registration, please see: <https://www.trade.gov/discover-global-markets>.
- Oct. 17 - **ADVANCED MANUFACTURING BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MISSION TO INDONESIA, SINGAPORE, AND JAPAN**. Led by the U.S. Department of Commerce, this mission will assist U.S.
21 producers of advanced manufacturing products and systems to identify export opportunities in Indonesia, Singapore, and Japan. The mission will focus on advanced manufacturing – sometimes called “Smart Manufacturing” or “Industry 4.0” – products and systems. The mission will include group interaction with government agencies and industry experts; promotional opportunities at the Industrial Transformation Asia-Pacific (ITAP) trade show; and customized one-on-one business appointments with pre-screened potential agents, distributors, partners, and buyers. For information & an application, please see: <https://www.trade.gov/advanced-manufacturing-mission-indonesia-singapore-and-japan>.
- Oct. 23 - **TRADE MISSION TO THE CARIBBEAN REGION**. Sponsored and led by the U.S. Commercial Service
28 in partnership with the U.S. Department of State, the goal of the mission is to help participating U.S. companies find potential partners, buyers, agents, distributors, and joint venture partners in Barbados/Eastern Caribbean, Dominican Republic, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Suriname, The Bahamas, and Trinidad and Tobago, laying the foundation for successful long-term ventures to take advantage of market opportunities in the Caribbean region. The mission is open to U.S. companies from a cross section of industries with growing potential in the Caribbean region, but is focused on U.S. companies in best prospects sectors such as Automotive Parts and Services, Construction Equipment/Road Building Machinery/Building Products/Infrastructure projects, Medical Equipment and Devices/Pharmaceuticals, ICT, Energy Equipment and Services, Safety and Security Equipment, Hotel and Restaurant Equipment, Franchise, Manufacturing Equipment, Yachting industry/Maritime services/Sailing Equipment. For an application, please see: <https://emenuapps.ita.doc.gov/ePublic/TM/OROV>.

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- Nov. 20
- Oct. 30 - **WOMEN IN TECH TRADE MISSION: NETHERLANDS, PORTUGAL, FRANCE**. Sponsored by the U.S. Commercial Service, the mission is an ideal business development opportunity for tech companies interested in three European markets with vibrant tech industries. Trade Mission participants will benefit from tailored matchmaking with prospective buyers in the Netherlands, Portugal and France, plus networking at Web Summit 2022 and throughout the Trade Mission. For information & an application, please see: <https://emenuapps.ita.doc.gov/ePublic/TM/3R1R>.
- Nov. 5
- Nov. 6 - **AEROSPACE & DEFENSE TRADE MISSION: ISRAEL, SAUDI ARABIA & BAHRAIN**. Led by the U.S. Department of Commerce's International Trade Administration, the mission will introduce U.S. companies to the aerospace and defense ecosystem in key Middle Eastern countries and assist delegate companies to find business partners and to export their products and services. Delegates will also: participate in one-on-one business appointments with pre-screened potential buyers, agents, distributors and joint venture partners; meet with central, state, and local government officials and industry leaders who can address questions in areas such as procurements, projects, policies, regulations, tariff rates and incentives; participate in networking receptions; attend the Bahrain International Air Show. For information & an application, please see: <https://www.trade.gov/executive-led-middle-east-aerospace-and-defense-trade-mission>.
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About the ITA/GC

Founded in December 1977, **The International Trade Association of Greater Chicago (ITA/GC)** was incorporated in January 1979 as an Illinois not-for-profit, voluntary business association dedicated to promoting international commerce in all its forms by providing a forum for the exchange of practical information and insight within the international business community. The ITA/GC's focus is on practicality: on building knowledge and enabling relationships that help people do international business. While our scope of interest is diverse – all aspects of trading and commercial activity across all geographies and all industries – our work is simple: **to help others gain understanding that is personal, current and actionable.**

Annual membership dues are: Individual - \$150; Consular/Diplomatic - \$75 (up to 3 members); Academic/Faculty - \$200 (up to 8 designated faculty members); Student from a participating academic institution - \$25; Regular student - \$50; Associate/Non-resident (more than 150 miles from O'Hare International Airport) - \$50; Retired/Job Transition - \$50; Corporate (up to 8 designated members) - \$300. For a Membership Application, please call 773/725-1106; e-mail: info@itagc.org; or visit: www.itagc.org.

About Barnes Richardson

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About MichaelSilver

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