The Smart Cities Connect Conference & Expo brings together over 500 Cities and their respective leadership to prospect for best-practices and solutions to support their strategic smart city realization needs.

Today, around the globe, forward thinking city planners are using the latest information and communication technologies to improve the lives of their citizenry, while using less resources and being more protective of the environment. The Smart Cities Connect Conference and Expo will provide an opportunity for leading technology and solution providers to meet face to face with representatives from dozens of cities and municipalities who are looking to leverage the latest tools available in order to make their communities more responsive, efficient, productive and safe. In a word, smart.

Inside this prospectus you will learn about the opportunities available to solution providers who wish to raise their profile with the Smart Cities community and engage with decision makers who are responsible for implementing smart city solutions.
City Leaders and Planners will be coming to the Smart Cities Connect Conference & Expo to meet with leading solution providers.

Policy, technology and resource management leaders will include:

- Mayors
- Council Members
- Sustainability Officers
- Chief Information Officers
- Environmental Engineers
- Chief Technology Officers
- IT Architects
- Water & Energy Managers
- Waste Managers
- Utility Operators
- Urban Designers
- Emergency Responders
- Transportation Managers
- Public Works Managers

Leading technology and solution providers will be showcasing their products and services addressing the needs of the Smart City.

Smart City Solutions Include:

- Energy Solutions
- Transportation
- Buildings & Efficiency
- Sensor Networks
- ICT Networks
- Cyber Security
- Water/Waste
- Weather Solutions
- Gov/Civic Services
- Healthcare Services
- Emergency Services
- Data Analytics/Tools

Leaders and Planners from progressive cities across North America and around the globe convene at Smart Cities Connect events. A small representative sample includes:

Aksakovo, Alameda, CA
Alabama, NY
Albany, NY
Alexandria, VA
Alexandria, LA
Anderson, IN
Ann Arbor, MI
Anniston, AL
Arlington, TN
Arlington, VA
Arvada, CO
Aspen, CO
Aurora, CO
Aurora, IL
Austin, TX
Avon, CT
Azusa, CA
Barrie, ON
Bay Village, OH
Beaufort County, SC
Beaumont, AB
Bellevue, FL
Beverly Hills, CA
Bloomington, IL
Bloomington, IN
Boise, ID
Bossier City, LA
Boston, MA
Broomfield, CO
Brownsville, TX
Buda, TX
BUELLTON, CA
BURLINGTON, NC
Burlington, ON
Calgary, AB
Cambridge, MA
Cambridge, CA
Cambridge, ON
Cary, NC
Castle Pines, CO
Castle Rock, CO
Centennial, CO
Chapel Hill, NC
Charlotte, NC
Chicago, IL
Cincinnati, OH
City, IN
City of Paris, KY
Clarksville, TN
CLEARWATER, FL
Clemson, SC
College Station, TX
COLORADO SPRINGS, CO
Columbus, OH
Concord, CA
Connel, WA
Coos Bay, OR
Coppell, TX
Coral Gables, FL
Covington, KY
Cromwell, CT
Dallas, TX
Dayton, OH
Decatur, GA
Delray Beach, FL
Denver, CO
DFW Airport, TX
Dortmund, DE
Dubai, UAE
Dublin, OH
Dunedin, FL
Dundalk, MD
Durham, NC
El Paso, TX
El Mirage, AZ
El Cajon, CA
East Point, GA
East Chicago, IN
Eagle, CO
East Chicago, IN
East Point, GA
El Cajon, CA
El Mirage, AZ
El Paso, TX
El Segundo, CA
Elk Grove Village, IL
Emmitsburg, MD
Encinitas, CA
Estes Park, CO
Eugene, OR
Eugene, PA
Fairbanks, AK
Fairfax, CA
Fairview, TX
 Fargo, ND
 Farmington, MN
 Farmington Hills, MI
 Fayetteville, AR
 Federal Heights, CO
 Findlay, OH
 FLINT, MI
 Forestville, MD
 Fort Collins, CO
 Fort Dodge, IA
 Fort Walton Beach, FL
 Fort Wayne, IN
 Fredericton, NB
 Freeport, IL
 Ft Pierce, FL
 Gainesville, FL
 Gig Harbor, WA
 Gilbert, AZ
 Globe, AZ
 Golden, CO
 Golden Valley, MN
 Goldsboro, NC
 Goodyear, AZ
 Grand Rapids, MI
 Greeley, CO
 Guelph, ON
 Harrisonburg, VA
 Hartford, WI
 Henderson, NV
 Hermosa Beach, CA
 High River, AB
 Highland, UT
 HILLSBORO, OR
 Hopkins, MN
 Houston, TX
 Idaho Falls, ID
 Independence, OR
 Indian Wells, CA
 Inkster, MI
 Innisfil, ON
 Irving, TX
 Ithaca, NY
 Johnson City, TN
 Jupiter, FL
 Jurupa Valley, CA
 Kalamazoo, MI
 Kansas City, KS
 Kansas City, MO
 Kenner, LA
 Kent, WA
 Kerava, FI
 Key West, FL
 Kirkland, WA
 Kirkland, QC
 Kitchener, ON
 Lake Zurich, IL
 Las Vegas, NV
 Leomin, MT
 Lewiston, ME
 Lincol, NE
 Little Canada, MN
 Littleton, CO
 London, ON
 Lone Tree, CO
 Long Beach, CA
 Long Island City, NY
 Longmont, CO
 Longview, TX
 Longwood, FL
 Los Angeles, CA
 Los Angeles, CA
 LouisiNVille, KY
 Loveland, CO
 Malaga, ES
 MANAMA, BD
 Manchester, UK
 Manhattan, KS
 Marble Falls, TX
 Marion, IL
 Markham, ON
 Medicine Hat, AB
 Memphl, TN
 Menifee, CA
 Mesquite, TX
 Miami, FL
 Miami Lakes, FL
 Milwaukee, WI
 Mississauga, ON
 Missouri City, TX
 Mitchell, SD
 Moncton, NB
 Montgomery, AL
 Moreno Valley, CA
 Morrisville, NC
 Myrtle Beach, SC
 Nampa, ID
 Nantucket, MA
 Raleigh, NC
 Redwood City, CA
 Reno, NV
 Reusburg, ID
 Richmond, TX
 Richmond, CA
 Richmond, VA
 Rochester, MN
 Romeoville, IL
 Roswell, GA
 Ruston, LA
 Saint Paul, MN
 Salem, OR
 SAMSUN, TR
 San Angelo, TX
 San Bernardino, CA
 San Diego, CA
 San Francisco, CA
 San Leandro, CA
 Santa Clara, CA
 Saratoga Springs, UT
 SASKATOON, SK
 Schenectady, NY
 Seal Beach, CA
 Seattle, WA
 Sebastian, FL
 Sechelt, BC
 Seguin, TX
 Shawnee, KS
 Shrewsbury, MA
 Smithers, NB
 South Burlington, VT
 Southfield, MI
 Spanish Fork, UT
 Spokane, WA
 Springfield, OR
 Spruce Grove, AB
 St. Catharines, ON
 St. Petersburg, FL
 State College, PA
 Stillwater, OK
 Stockton, CA
 Sugar Land, TX
 Sunland Park, NM
 Sunnyvale, CA
 Surat, GUJARAT
 Syracuse, NY
 Tacoma, WA
 Tallahassee, FL
 Tampa, FL
 Tarni, AU
 Tempe, AZ
 Temple, TX
 Toronto, ON
 Tucson, AZ
 Urbana, IL
 Urbandale, IA
 Vancouver, BC
 Vaughan, ON
 Virginia Beach, VA
 Walla Walla, WA
 Washington, DC
 West Allis, WI
 West Des Moines, IA
 West Sacramento, CA
 Westminster, CO
 Whitby, ON
 WHITE PLAINS, NY
 Wilkes-Barre Township, PA
 Wilmington, NC
 Winchester, KY
 Woodland Park, CO
 Woodstock, VA
Platinum Sponsor

Limited to Two

$100,000

• Keynote Presentation by Company Executive
• Company Logo Featured on all Print, Web Pages and in Promotional Emails
• 20 Full Delegate Passes to the Conference
• Unlimited Exhibition Staff Passes
• 20’ x 20’ Exhibit Space in Smart Cities Solutions Hall
• Speaking role in CIO Solutions Session
• Speaking Role in VIP Networking Event
• Inclusion of Advertorial in Monthly Newsletter
• Pre-Conference Smart City Webinar Option
• Full Page Advertisement in Printed Program Guide
• Passes to all Private Networking Events
• Post-Event Emailer to Conference Delegates

Gold Sponsor

Limited to Four

$60,000

• Company Logo Featured on all Print, Web Pages and in Promotional Emails
• Panel Participation by Company Representative
• 12 Full Delegate Passes to the Conference
• Unlimited Exhibition Staff Passes
• 20’ x 20’ Exhibit Space in Smart Cities Solutions Hall
• Speaking role in CIO Solutions Session
• Inclusion of Advertorial in Monthly Newsletter
• Pre-conference Smart City Webinar Option
• Full Page Advertisement in Printed Program Guide
• Passes to all Private Networking Events
• Post-Event Emailer to Conference Delegates

Silver Sponsor

Limited to Six

$40,000

• Company Logo Featured on all Print, Web Pages and in Promotional Emails
• Panel Participation by Company Representative
• 8 Full Delegate Passes to the Conference
• Unlimited Exhibition Staff Passes
• 10’ x 20’ Exhibit Space in Smart Cities Solutions Hall
• Speaking role in CIO Solutions Session
• Full Page Advertisement in Printed Program Guide
• Passes to all Private Networking Events

Bronze Sponsor

$20,000

• Company Logo Featured on all Print, Web Pages and in Promotional Emails
• 4 Full Delegate Passes to the Conference
• Unlimited Exhibition Staff Passes
• 10’ x 10’ Exhibit Space in Smart Cities Solutions Hall
• Full Page Advertisement in Printed Program Guide
• Passes to all Private Networking Events

For more information on sponsorship opportunities, please contact Richard Erb at +1.401.477.2180 or rerb@techconnect.org.
Marketing and Promotional Opportunities

The following is a menu of available marketing and promotional opportunities (MPOs) for the Smart Cities Connect Conference & Exposition.

MPOs are an effective way to raise your company's visibility, effectively get your message and brand out to a targeted audience, generate more sales opportunities and increase the event's ROI. History has shown that companies that utilize MPOs generate more booth traffic, more sales leads and an overall higher level of satisfaction than companies that do not take advantage of these opportunities.

- **Banners** - Call for Pricing
- **Break Sponsor** - $3,000
- **Conference Bag Insert** - $3,000*
- **Conference Bag Sponsor** - $10,000*
- **Conference Mobile App Sponsor** - $7,500
- **Custom Email** - $5,000 (limited)
- **Floor Plan Kiosk** - $4,000
- **Freestanding Billboard** - $3,000
- **Hospitality Suite** - $5,000
- **Lanyard Sponsor** - $8,500*
- **Pen Sponsor** - $2,500*
- **Press Room Sponsor** - $5,000
- **Reception Sponsor** - $10,000
- **Registration Sponsor** - $10,000
- **Show Daily Media Package** - $4,000
- **Show Guide Advertising** - $3,000
- **Water Bottle Sponsor** - $3,000*
- **You are Here Kiosk** - $4,000

*Pricing does not include production costs, which are the responsibility of the sponsor.

Please contact your Smart Cities sales Representative or Richard Erb at rerb@techconnect.org to learn more about how you can leverage these powerful tools and make your event a complete success.

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US Ignite fosters the creation of next-generation internet applications that provide
transformative public benefit. By engaging diverse public and private leaders, the
“ignite” the development and deployment of new apps with profound impact on
how Americans work, live, learn and play.
The Company/Division identified below (“Participant”) applies to TechConnect (“Organizer”) for sponsorship at the “Event” identified above on the terms and conditions of this “Application” plus the “Terms and Conditions of Participation in Event” on the second page of this application and contract (collectively, the “Agreement”).

Company/Division:
Exhibitor Name for Event Guide:

Address:                                      M/S or Suite #:
City:                                          State: Zip/Postal Code: Country:
Telephone:                                    Fax: Email:
Primary Contact:                              Tel: Email:
Alternate Contact:                            Tel: Email:
Accounting Contact:                          Participant P.O. #: Email:
P.R. Contact:

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- ___ Conference Bag Insert - $3,000*
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- ___ Conference Mobile App Sponsor - $7,500
- ___ Custom Email - $5,000 (limited)
- ___ Floor Plan Kiosk - $4,000
- ___ Freestanding Billboard - $3,000
- ___ Hospitality Suite - $5,000
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- ___ Registration Sponsor - $10,000
- ___ Show Daily Media Package - $4,000
- ___ Show Guide Advertising - $3,000
- ___ Water Bottle Sponsor - $3,000*
- ___ You are Here Kiosk - $4,000
- ___ Additional Registrations

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**Total Promo:** $_________

**Payment Terms:** The total fee is calculated based on Participant’s selections above. 50% is due within 30 days of contract execution. The balance of the total fee is due 180 days (6 months) prior to show (for a cumulative payment of 100%). Agreement is not transferable, and all fees are non-refundable. Cancellation by Participant after this Application is submitted will result in the collection of any cancellation fees due, per section 4 b. of the “Terms and Conditions of Participation in Event” on the second page of this application and contract. Failure of Participant to comply with any payment term will, among other things, result in loss of space and collection of any fees due. Please make checks payable to TechConnect, and mail to:

TechConnect
696 San Ramon Valley Blvd., Ste. 423 Danville, CA 94526 USA
Phone: (925) 353-5004

If organizer accepts this Application, it will countersign the Application, and the terms and conditions of the Agreement will be binding as of the date of the Application. Participant should request a copy of the “Terms and Conditions of Participation in Event” if none is attached.

I have read and agree to the Agreement, and Participant will pay the Total Fee. I am authorized to execute this Agreement for Participant.

Please fax completed contract to 1-978-561-1122.

**Authorized Signature:**
Name (printed):
Date:

**For Organizer’s Use Only:**
Accepted by Organizer:
Date:
Space # Assigned (tentative):
Space Dimensions:
Total Fee: US$:
Name of Salesperson:
Territory:
1. ACCEPTANCE BY ORGANIZER. Participant's participation in the Event is subject to Organizer's approval. No contract is created until Organizer countersigns the Application. Organizer may withdraw its acceptance at any time by refunding the Total Space Fee paid if Organizer determines that Participant or its product is ineligible. Organizer makes no warranties regarding the number of persons who will attend the Event. Event dates, hours, and venue may be modified by information provided to Participant in writing.

2. ASSIGNMENT AND USE OF SPACE.

a. Benefits and License Grant. The Total Fee includes use of the Space and any other benefits as specified in the Application or in the Exhibitor Services Manual as amended from time to time (the “Manual”). Participant grants to Organizer the right to use Participant's name and logo in connection with the promotion and production of the Event. Participant may use the name and logo before and during the Event only in connection with its participation in the Event.

b. Space Assignment. Use, Sublet, and Occupancy. Participant will assign the Space or alter Event layout or venue at any time. The Space is for Participant's use only. Participant may not share, sell, assign, sublease or charge admission for entry into any portion of the Space (including to an affiliated company) without Organizer's prior written consent. Participant must fully occupy the Space, and must provide displays, equipment, carpeting, etc., unless Organizer specifies otherwise. Any displays supplied by Participant must be constructed safely using sound engineering practices, and must be installed before, occupied during, and dismantled after the Event in accordance with Organizer's schedule and standards of conduct. Participant's activities must be confined within the Space, and must be in support of products or services identified on the Application and directly related to Participant's normal business activities. Organizer may refuse permission to exhibit any products or services Organizer deems objectionable or unsuitable for the Event. At the Event, Participant may not exchange goods or money without Organizer's prior written consent, nor assist any other party in soliciting business without Organizer's prior written consent.

c. Own Risk. Participant has sole responsibility for any loss of its equipment or proprietary information, or any other loss including any subrogation claims by its insurer. Persons viewing, visiting, or otherwise participating in Participant’s Space are deemed the invitees or licensees of Participant and not of Organizer.

d. Third-Party Contractors. Participant agrees to use designated third-party contractors to provide certain services (“Required Contractors”), and Participant must then use only the Required Contractors for such services. Notwithstanding such designation, Required Contractors and third-party vendors listed in the Manual act solely as independent contractors, and Organizer is not responsible for their performance, acts, or omissions.

e. Other Events and Marketing. Participant agrees that it may not use any Organizer even to leverage other events in which Participant is a sponsor or participant, and therefore agrees that it may not, during the period from two days before until two days after (i) the Event or (ii) any other conference or exposition event produced by Organizer from three months prior until one year following the Event, conduct, promote, endorse, or participate in any functions, classes, seminars, exhibits, or similar marketing activities within 50 miles of any such event; other than (i) Participant's participation in the Event under this Agreement, or (ii) functions approved in writing by Organizer. During the Event, Participant may not promote its products or organization within 500 yards of any Event locations, except (i) in advertising contained in periodicals or similarly regularly published media, or (ii) as permitted by this Agreement or by Organizer in writing.

f. Other Event Payments. Organizer may apply any payments made by Participant under this Agreement to any obligation that is past due under any other event-related agreement between Participant and Organizer, in which case Organizer will notify Participant of such application.

3. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND RULES/INSURANCE.

a. General. Participant will comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and ordinances in connection with its participation in the Event, including but not limited to rules of the venue and any relevant labor union, construction of the Exhibit in compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act or its local equivalent, and the terms, conditions, and rules issued by Organizer from time to time in connection with the Event. Participant's conduct, and the use of names and lists captured at the Event or provided by Organizer, are subject to guidelines set forth in the Manual.

b. Third Party Proprietary Rights. Participant will not violate any proprietary rights of third parties in connection with its participation in the Event, including but not limited to the performance, distribution, or posting of copyrighted material without a license; assignment, or other legal effective permission.

c. Taxes and Licenses. Participant is solely responsible for obtaining any licenses and permits, and payment of all taxes (including sales and use taxes), license fees, or other charges applicable to its participation in the Event, including taxes collected by Organizer.

d. Insurance. Organizer grants to Participant the right to use the Property and provide to Organizer at least thirty (30) days prior to move in to the Event a certificate of insurance showing that there is in effect a policy of a minimum of $1 million combined single limit bodily injury and broad form property damage coverage, including broad form contractual liability, in which Organizer and the Event Providers (as defined in paragraph 6 below) are named as additional insureds. Participant agrees to obtain and maintain in effect throughout the Event workers compensation and employers liability insurance in such minimum amounts as are required by law or are otherwise consistent with prudent business practice. Participant agrees to waive the right of subrogation of its insurance carrier against Organizer and the Event Providers to recover loss sustained for real and personal property.

4. CANCELLATION OR TERMINATION.

a. Cancellation. Organizer may cancel all or any part of the Event for any reason beyond its reasonable control, including but not limited to, natural or public disaster, act of God, acts of terrorism, venue closure, insufficient participation, market fluctuations, government regulation, or similar reasons, in which case Organizer will refund to Participant a pro rata portion of any space fees already paid to Organizer, after which Participant will have no further recourse against Organizer. A change in the name of the Event does not constitute a cancellation by Organizer.

b. Termination by Participant. Any cancellation by Participant occurring nine months or prior to the Event will result in a seventy-five percent (75%) cancellation fee being owed by Participant to Organizer. Any cancellation later than nine months prior to the Event will result in one hundred percent (100%) cancellation fee being owed by Participant to Organizer. All cancellation fees will be due immediately upon cancellation. Termination by Participant must be in writing and will be effective upon receipt by Organizer. Participant acknowledges the difficulty in determining a precise value for services rendered and expenses incurred by Organizer for the Event, and of ascertaining damages incurred by Organizer if Participant terminates this Agreement or Participant’s participation in the Event, the amounts due from Participant under this Agreement as of the effective date of any termination by Participant belong to Organizer and represent an agreed measure of compensation, and are not to be deemed or construed as a forfeiture or penalty.

c. Termination by Organizer. Organizer may take possession of the Space and terminate Participant's participation in the Event upon Participant's failure to meet any obligations under this Agreement. Participant may be required to vacate the Space and any uninstalled exhibits and equipment within forty-eight (48) hours from the date of termination. Any such termination is treated as a termination by Participant under this Agreement.

5. ORGANIZER MATERIALS.

a. Organizer Materials. The Manual and any other methodologies or planning materials distributed to Participant related to the planning or execution of the Event (“Organizer Materials”) are owned exclusively by and are confidential information of Organizer. Organizer grants to Participant a nontransferable, nonexclusive license, on an “AS IS” basis, to use such Organizer Materials solely in connection with Participant's participation in the Event. Participant is responsible for obtaining the Manual from Organizer. Upon completion of the Event or earlier termination of Participant's participation in the Event, Participant agrees to return all Organizer Materials to Organizer upon Organizer's written request. Participant may use but may not sell or distribute any Organizer Materials to other Event Participants or attendees without Organizer’s prior written permission.

6. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY; INDEMNITY.

a. Under no circumstances is Organizer the venue at which the Event is held, or any of its respective parents, affiliates, shareholders, employees, agents, officers, directors, successors and assigns (the “Event Providers”) responsible for any loss or damage, direct, indirect, incidental, consequential, or exemplary damages for any of its actions or inactions in connection with the Event, whether or not such Event Provider has been appraised of the possibility of such damages or lost profits. In no event will Organizer's liability hereunder, or otherwise in connection with the Event, exceed the amount actually paid to it by Participant for the Space. Organizer is not liable for any errors in any listing or descriptions or for omitting Participant from the Event show floor or other materials.

b. None of the Event Providers are liable to Participant for any damage, loss, harm, or injury to the person, property, or business of Participant, or any of its visitors, officers, agents, employees, or other representatives, resulting from theft, fire, earthquake, water, unavailability of the venue or intermediate staging facilities, insufficient participation, accident, or any other reason in connection with the Event or any planning meetings, demonstrations, or stagings, including claims and damages arising in whole or in part from the negligence of the Event Providers. It is the express intent of the parties to this Agreement that the indemnity provided for in this section is an indemnity extended by Participant to indemnify and protect the Event Providers from any and all claims, demands, actions, suits, losses, judgments, costs, expenses, penalties, fines, and liabilities of any kind, nature, or description, which may be incurred in connection with the Event, whether or not such Event Provider has been appraised of the possibility of such damages or lost profits.

c. Participant agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Event Providers and those lawfully in the venue from and against any claim, loss, liability, or damage suffered due to (i) Participant's construction or maintenance of an unsafe Exhibit, and/or (ii) the negligence or misconduct of Participant or its agents or Participant's breach of any commitment made by Participant to any third party.

7. RELEASE. Participant acknowledges that the Event may be recorded and reproduced in any form (including but not limited to digital formats), and hereby authorizes Organizer and its designees to record, transcribe, modify, reproduce, publicly perform, display, distribute, redistribute, and transmit in any form and for any purpose any such recording of the Event, and hereby consents to any such use by Organizer in connection therewith. Participant hereby waives any statutory restriction on waivers of future claims.

8. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. Counter signed by Organizer, this Agreement will constitute the entire agreement between Participant and Organizer concerning its subject matter, and may only be modified in writing and signed by the parties. Organizer's rights under this Agreement are not deemed waived except as specifically stated in writing and signed by an authorized representative. If any term of this Agreement is declared invalid or unenforceable, the remainder continues in full force and effect. Organizer may assign this Agreement or its responsibilities to any other party. Any action arising out of this Agreement or the Event must be brought in Houston, Texas and governed by the laws of that locale, exclusive of the choice of law rules of any jurisdiction, and Participant consents to the jurisdiction of such courts. Organizer is entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees and costs in any action to enforce this Agreement. Participant may not assign this Agreement to any other party, including a successor in interest in the event of a merger or sale of assets, without the prior written consent of Organizer, in which event Participant must guarantee performance of the assigned obligations. This Agreement is binding upon the permitted heirs, successors, and assigns of Participant.