Convenience Distribution Marketplace

Printable Schedule

Schedule is subject to change. All times are Central Time Zone.

Sunday, February 15, 2026

Monday, February 16, 2026

7:00 am-6:00 pm	Registration
7:00 am-7:00 pm	Exhibitor Move-In
7:00 am-8:00 am	InfoMetrics Advisory Council
8:00 am-8:30 am	Governance & Nominating Committee
8:30 am–9:30 am	Events Planning Committee and
	Manufacturers Advisory Council
9:30 am-10:45 am	Education & Research Committee
	Government Affairs Committee
	Industry Affairs Committee
11:00 am-12:00 pm	CDA & DEF Board of Directors Meeting
11:45 am-1:15 pm	Pre-Game Lunch
1:30 pm-2:45 pm	Opening Keynote: FutureNomics: The Economic Snapshot You Need Now and in the
	Future for Stronger Strategies, Better Decisions, and Faster Results with Mary Kelly
2:45 pm-3:00 pm	Networking Break
3:00 pm-4:15 pm	Monday Education Session: State of the Industry and
	Consumer Behaviors with Sally Lyons Wyatt
4:15 pm-4:30 pm	Networking Break
4:30 pm-5:30 pm	Monday Education Session: Understanding FSMA Section 204(d)
	with <u>Jennifer McEntire</u> , <u>Ph.D.</u> and <u>Richard Owen</u>
5:30 pm-7:00 pm	Opening Drive Reception

Tuesday, February 17, 2026

7:00 am-5:30 pm	Registration
7:00 am-8:00 am	Breakfast
7:00 am–9:00 am	Exhibitor Move-In
8:00 am–9:00 am	Tuesday Kickoff Session: Attracting Tomorrow's Talent with
	Today's Leaders with Steve Bench
9:00 am-2:00 pm	The Marketplace Trade Show
12:30 pm-1:30 pm	Side Line Lunch
2:00 pm-6:00 pm	Exhibitor Move-Out
2:15 pm-3:15 pm	Feature Session: Trusted to Lead: Energizing High-Performance Cultures
	in Convenience Distribution with Lt. Col. (Ret.) Jason O. Harris
3:30 pm-5:00 pm	Distributor Showcase
5:30 pm-6:15 pm	Past Chair Advisory Council
6:15 pm-9:30 pm	Awards Dinner
6:15 pm-6:45 pm	Kick Off Cocktails
6:45 pm-8:15 pm	Hall of Fame Dinner
8:15 pm-9:30 pm	End Zone After Party

Wednesday, February 18, 2026

7:00 am–8:00 am	Breakfast
8:00 am–9:15 am	Wednesday Kickoff Session: Making AI Work for Distribution:
	A Practical Playbook for Every Team with Benj Cohen
9:15 am–9:30 am	Networking Break
9:30 am-10:45 am	Closing Session: Protecting Your Warehouse: Physical Security & Safety
10:45 am	Marketplace Concludes - That's a Wrap!