

South Carolina 2016 Export Training Events

JANUARY

*1/21 – International Trade Show Marketing, Charleston SC

Trade shows can provide an effective means of spreading brand awareness, getting your product out in front of a target audience and meeting with current or potential clients. Come learn about preshow preparation, funding / financing available for trade shows and how to protect your IP and Trademarks. (\$75)

Contact: Phil Minard, phil.minard@trade.gov

Registration Link: www.sctrade.org/events-1.html

MARCH

*3/9 – ACE & International Documentation, Greenville SC

Learn about the new ACE- Automatic Commercial Environment for importers and exporters. In this class you will learn how to file using the new 2016 ACE system for your EEI- Electronic Export Information. The class will also cover how to run detailed reporting functions for your imports/exports, what your customs broker is submitting to US customs on your behalf and how to self-file and save time and money. This class will also cover how to fill out commercial invoices, packing lists, bills of lading, certificates of origin and more. (\$225)

Contact: Anita Patel, Apatel@SCcommerce.com

Registration Link: www.sctrade.org/events-1.html

*3/16 – 1/2 Day International Finance Seminar, Charleston SC

Learn about export financing for small and medium sized businesses. The Export-Import Bank of the U.S. will discuss how to utilize the bank and other industry experts will address letters of credit, export financing through the SBA and export insurance.

Contact: Pennie Bingham, pbingham@Charlestonchamber.org

Registration Link: <http://www.charlestonchamber.net/wtcccevents/>

APRIL

*4/25- 4/29 Hannover Messe, Hannover Germany

Description: The United States is the Partner Country for HANNOVER MESSE 2016, the world's leading trade fair for industrial technology. (Price: see trade show link)

Contact: Dorette Coetsee, Dorette.coetsee@trade.gov

Registration Link: <http://export.gov/hannovermesse/>

MAY

*5/3– Export University, Export 101- Columbia SC

Export University is a series of courses on exporting designed to help U.S. companies begin an export initiative, and to gain increasing skills and innovation in their international sales. (\$45)

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*5/16-5/20 – Canada Trade Mission, Toronto and Montreal, CA

The SCDOC's division of International Strategy & Trade is leading a trade mission to Canada. Companies that are approved to attend will have one-on-one meetings with prospective distributors, agents and partners that are set by the US Department of Commerce. The trade mission is open to all companies within South Carolina. \$3500, not including airfare and hotel)

Contact: Anita Patel, Apatel@SCcommerce.com

Registration Link: www.sctrade.org/events-1.html

*5/26-5/28 – SEUS CP Conference

Attend the annual Southeastern U.S. Canadian Province Alliance Conference for an engaging line up of business and economic development speakers and take part in the conference's B2B matchmaking meetings to find potential business partners in Canada and the other southeastern states.

Contact: Clarke Thompson, CThompson@SCcommerce.com

Registration Link: <http://sccommerce.com/events>

JUNE

6/8-6/10 – London Produce Show

The boutique exhibition gives trade exhibitors direct access to a wide range of international produce buyers from the retail, foodservice and wholesale sectors.

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Registration Link: <http://www.londonproduceshow.co.uk/>

JULY

*7/11-7/17 – Farnborough Air Show

The S.C. Department of Commerce will recruit 10 qualified companies to participate in the air show with Team South Carolina. Companies must be a manufacturer or service provider in the aerospace, aviation industry to be considered. (\$6,000, not including airfare and hotel)

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*7/26 – Export University, Export 101, Greenville SC

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Contact: Shannon Christenbury, Shannon.christenberry@trade.gov

AUGUST

*8/18 ACE & International Documentation—Charleston SC

You will understand when and how you should be filling out international documents. We will go through each document, step-by-step and instruct you on where to go, how to fill them out accurately, and when they are required to be submitted. Many companies are exposing themselves unnecessarily to shipment delays, Customs audits and other charges because there is incomplete or inaccurate documentation for the shipment. In addition, you will learn about the new 2016 Automated Commercial Environment (ACE) system for filing of the EEI for exporters. (\$225)

Contact: Norris Thigpen, nthigpen@sccommerce.com

Registration Link: www.sctrade.org/events.html

8/24-8/27 – International Woodworking Fair

IWF is one of the top woodworking trade shows in the world and is an event where the material processing and design industries come together to solve problems, find solutions, share ideas, feature architectural woodwork, and reconnect with your customers IWF.

Contact: Tim Adams, tadams@scfc.gov and Edgar Arias, earias@scfc.gov

Registration Link: <http://www.iwfatlanta.com/Exhibitor/IWF-Registration>

SEPTEMBER

*9/6-9/13 – Tradewinds- Latin America

Trade Winds offers U.S. companies the opportunity to explore seven markets in Latin America. Hosted in Chile, Trade Winds will feature a Latin American-focused business forum, consisting of regional and industry specific conference as well as pre-arranged consultations with U.S. Senior Government Diplomats representing commercial markets from several Latin American countries. Additional stops provide an opportunity to conduct customized business-to-business meetings with pre-screened firms in Chile, Peru, Bolivia, Paraguay, Uruguay, Mexico and Argentina. (Price: see trade show link)

Contact: Dorette Coetsee, Dorette.coetsee@trade.gov

Registration Link: www.export.gov/tradewinds

*9/28 – Incoterms, Greenville SC

How can you use incoterms to minimize your company's exposure, reduce risk, save money, and even increase sales? Learn how to determine responsibilities between buyer and seller through transfer of risk, insurance, documentary requirements, and cost of freight through proper use of incoterms. (\$125)

Contact: Norris Thigpen, nthigpen@sccommerce.com

OCTOBER

*10/17/10/18 – Southern Forest Products Export Conference

Description: regional export conference on international trade of forest products, focused in: current state and outlook of exports of U.S. southern forest products, financial support, logistics, markets, industries, and policies, among others SCFC.

Contact: Tim Adams, tadams@scfc.gov and Edgar Arias, earias@scfc.gov

Registration Link: <http://www.state.sc.us/forest/prod.htm>

NOVEMBER

11/16 – State of the Region—International Trade Luncheon, Charleston SC

Join the World Trade Center Charleston (WTCC) luncheon to connect with the Charleston region's leaders in international trade and learn what is happening in our region and beyond to foster global imports and exports.

Contact: Contact: Pennie Bingham, pbingham@Charlestonchamber.org

Registration Link: <http://www.charlestonchamber.net/wtcccevents/>



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Information and updates on 2015 events can be found at www.sctrade.org