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# 2026 Support Prospectus

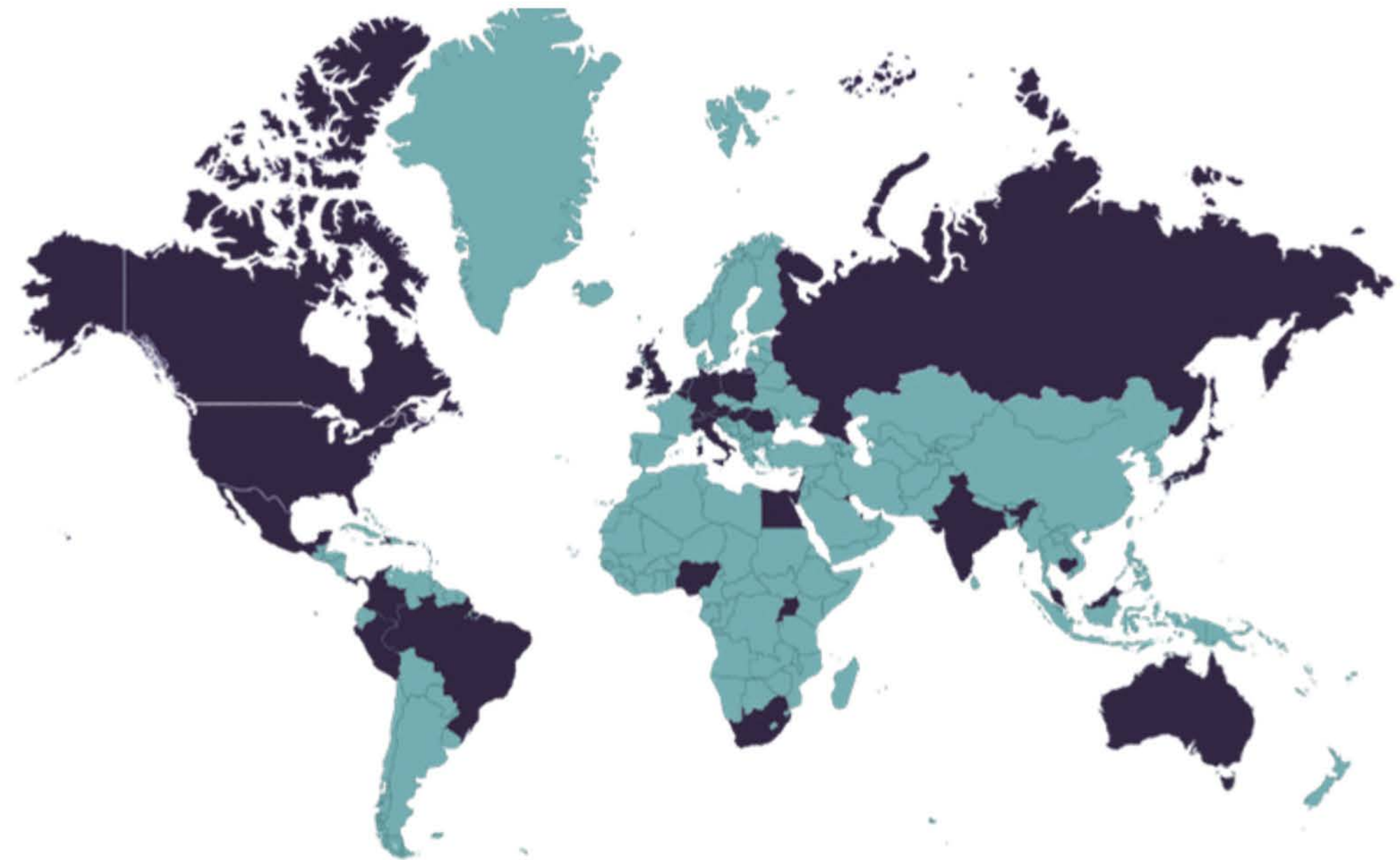
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# About AWS

*WHO WE ARE*

Founded in 1981, AWS is an **international** not-for-profit educational and professional organization. With approximately **4,000 members** of all genders and surgical specialties representing over **40 countries**, AWS is one of the largest organizations dedicated to enhancing the interaction and exchange of information between women surgeons.



# About AWS

## HIGHLIGHTS

- **Representation:** AWS has over 50 medical student chapters, more than 50 organizational members, and collaborates with peer organizations like the Society of Black Academic Surgeons, the Latino Surgical Society, the Association of Out Surgeons and Allies, and the Asian Surgical Association. AWS has representation on the ACS General Surgery Advisory Council and in most ACS state chapters.
- **Creating Opportunity:** Research scholarships, visiting professor programs, coaching projects, professional development webinars, networking, mentorship for students and residents, leadership opportunities, information sharing on a blog and podcast, dedicated annual AWS issue of the *American Journal of Surgery*, and more.
- **Advocacy:** Gender equity toolkit; statements on pay parity, sexual harassment, and parental leave; significant social media presence in surgery; resources for best practices.



# AWS Annual Conference

September 25-26, 2026

Washington, DC

AWS is the largest organization dedicated to women surgeons across all surgical subspecialties. The **2026 AWS Annual Conference**, being held **September 25-26** in **Washington, DC**, will provide educational content and presentations by leaders in surgery inspired by the theme, *Advocacy: Speaking Out and Scaling New Heights for Our Patients, Our Profession and Ourselves*. The AWS Annual Conference provides mentoring opportunities and leadership development by fostering the interaction among and exchange of information between women surgeons.





# Reach an Engaged Audience

The AWS Annual Conference is the perfect platform for your organization to make **new contacts**, increase **brand awareness** and **promote your initiatives**.

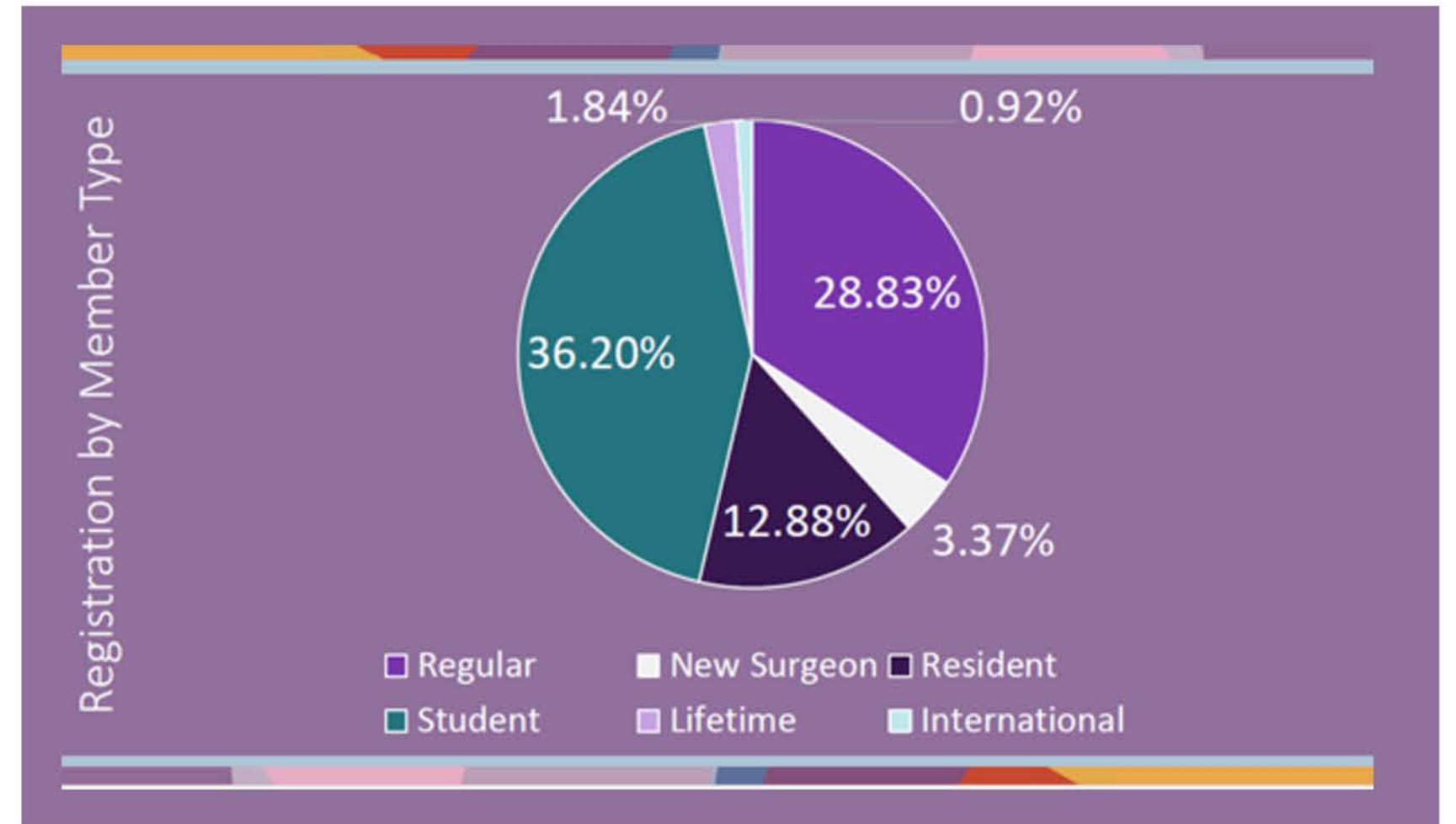
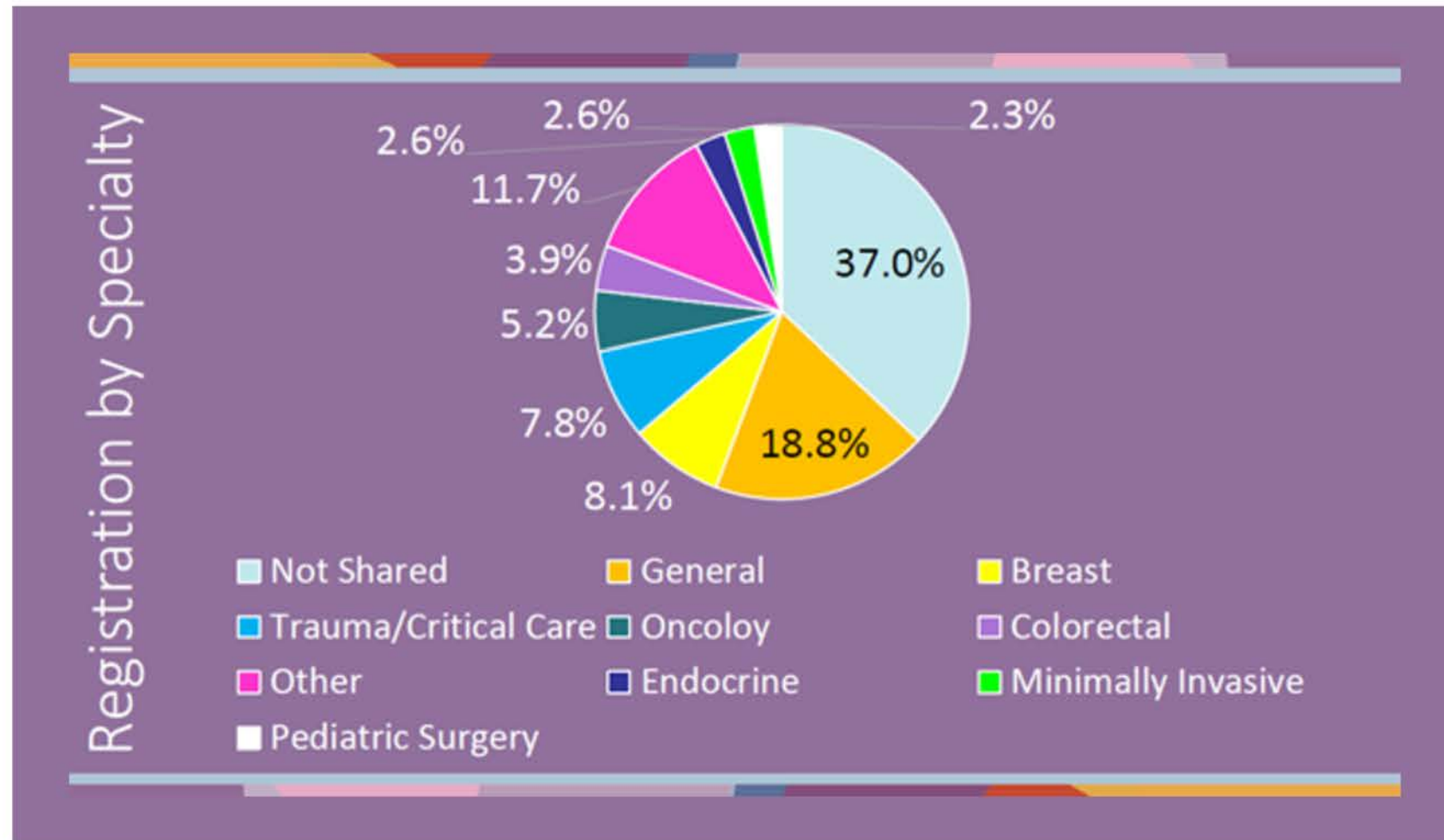
Through our sponsor opportunities, you will expand the reach of your products and services among healthcare's most influential practitioners.

**Support women surgeons today!**

*Note: AWS gratefully accepts Commercial Support for the 2026 Annual Conference in the form of financial support or in-kind support. Educational Commercial supporters are acknowledged by company name in the app, website, and on-site signage.*



# Past Attendance Data 2025 AWS Conference



# Meet Us in Washington DC



Advancing and uplifting women in surgery is central to the mission of the Association of Women Surgeons (AWS), and we invite your organization to partner with us in this work as a corporate supporter. Across every surgical specialty and at institutions around the world, AWS brings together a dynamic community of surgeons, residents, and students of all genders who are committed to excellence in patient care and professional growth.

This year, your support is especially impactful. Our 2026 Annual Conference—built around the theme **“Advocacy: Speaking Out and Scaling New Heights for Our Patients, Our Profession, and Ourselves”**—will convene surgical leaders to explore innovation, empower emerging voices, and champion collaborative solutions to challenges facing the field. Sponsorship offers your organization meaningful visibility and direct engagement with influential leaders who are shaping the future of surgery.

We would be delighted to explore how a partnership with AWS can advance our shared goals and create lasting impact across the surgical community. Thank you for your consideration; we look forward to connecting soon.

Warmly,

Marion Henry, MD, FACS, FAAP  
2025-2026 Planning Committee Chair  
Association of Women Surgeons

## AWS 2026 Planning Committee

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## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

# Conference Sponsors

*Opportunities for companies and organizations to support the professional development of women in surgery.*

BENEFITS	Exhibitor \$2,500	Engage \$5,000	Empower \$10,000	Excel \$25,000
1-Day Exhibit Table	✓	✓	✓	✓
Conference passes	2	2	3	4
Logo on website	name only	✓	✓	✓
Logo on signage		✓	✓	✓
Logo in emails		✓	✓	✓
Logo on social post		✓	✓	✓
Printed Flyer			✓	✓
Web ad (1 month)			1	2
Pre-conference eblast			✓	✓
Post-conference eblast				✓
AWS leader meeting				✓

# SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

## Chair Sponsors

*Program chairs and surgical organizations can show their support for the AWS Annual Conference*

BENEFITS	Bronze \$1,000	Silver \$2,500	Gold \$5,000	Platinum \$7,500	Diamond \$10,000
Trainee Passes	2	3	2	3	3
Attending Passes			1	1	2
Name & Link on Website	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Name & Link in Email	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Name on Conference Slide	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

## COMMERCIAL SUPPORT

# Elevate the Experience

*Exclusive opportunities to support the conference with non-CME events and activities.*

### **WiFi Sponsor: \$10,000**

Make it possible for all attendees to have access to wifi.

### **Wine & Cheese Sponsor: \$5,000**

Support a wine and cheese networking event for conference attendees.

### **Charging Station Sponsor: \$4,000**

Become a conference favorite by providing a charging station for phones and laptops.

### **Headshot Sponsor: \$3,000**

Make it possible for women surgeons to get professional headshots.

### **Mother's Room Sponsor: \$2,000**

Show your support for parents with a private room for nursing.

### **Yoga Sponsor: \$1,000**

Sponsor a fun fitness activity for conference attendees.

**Note:** All commercial event supporters receive recognition on event signage, conference slides, conference emails and the website with a text statement, "The Association of Women Surgeons wishes to recognize and thank this company for their commercial promotion towards this educational activity." Letter of agreement required.

## COMMERCIAL PROMOTION

# Amplify Your Presence

*Visibility through  
Sponsorship,  
Advertising and  
Exclusive  
Conference Swag*

### **Workshop Satellite Symposia Sponsor: \$10,000**

Support a non-CME workshop at the annual conference. Workshop sponsors receive recognition on event signage, conference slides, conference emails and the website with a text statement, "The Association of Women Surgeons wishes to recognize and thank this company for their commercial promotion towards this educational activity." Letter of agreement required.

### **Conference Advertising**

- Printed flyer: \$500
- Conference Eblast Ad (exclusive): \$1,000
- Digital Program Ads
  - Back cover (exclusive): \$1,500
  - Full page ad: \$1,000
  - Half page ad: \$750

### **Conference Visibility**

Are you interested in having your logo appear on items women surgeons will use long after the conference? Contact us at [info@womensurgeons.org](mailto:info@womensurgeons.org) for details about providing branded lanyards, tote bags, mugs, or any other items.



# What's Next?

Email [info@womensurgeons.org](mailto:info@womensurgeons.org) to reserve your opportunity.

Confirm your selection by paying at the time of reservation with a credit card, or submit payment for your invoice by check within 30 days (or before your ad, exhibit, or sponsor event takes place, whichever is first). Please note that your participation is not finalized until payment is received. By paying your invoice, you are agreeing to all [AWS Sponsorship Agreement](#) and [AWS Advertiser Agreement](#) terms.

Provide required materials or information by the deadline provided (logo, ad artwork, company representative information, exhibit details, etc.)

# Questions?

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