



**FIA Fall Meeting of Members and Marketing Conference
Marriott Pittsburgh City Center
October 19-21, 2026**

October 19, 2026

8:00 a.m.	FIERF Board of Trustees Meeting*	City Center A
12:00 p.m.	FIA/FIERF Joint Board Lunch*	City Center B
1:00 p.m.	FIA Board of Directors Meeting*	City Center A
4:00 p.m.	Marketing Committee Meeting*	City Center A

Above activities are for FIA/FIERF Board or Committee Members Only

6:30 p.m.	Welcome Reception & Banquet	Salon 4
8:00 p.m.	Adjourn	

October 20, 2026

8:00 a.m.	Breakfast	Salon 4
8:30 a.m.	Why Human Leadership Still Matters in an Automated World <i>Lisa Ryan, Grategy</i>	Salons 5 & 6
9:30 a.m.	Break	
9:45 a.m.	Steel Market Overview <i>Josh Spoore, CRU Group</i>	Salons 5 & 6
10:45 a.m.	Defense Market Overview <i>Charles Edens, ATI, Marcus Miller, DLA Representative & Suzanne Tkach, Tkach Consulting</i>	Salons 5 & 6
11:30 a.m.	Automotive Market Overview <i>Laurie Harbour, Wipfli Advisory LLC</i>	Salons 5 & 6
12:15 p.m.	Lunch	Salon 4
1:00 p.m.	Break Out Sessions	
	- Beyond Impressive: Communication for Authentic & Influential Leadership <i>Rita Goodroe, Rita Goodroe LLC</i>	Marquis Ballroom A

	- The Value of Benchmarking & Data <i>Nicole Jaeckel, Wipfli</i>	City Center B
	- Reducing Healthcare Costs Without Reducing Benefits <i>Richard Formani, Evolve Benefits, FIA Exclusive Healthcare Partner</i>	City Center A
2:00 p.m.	Reshoring for the Forging Industry <i>Harry Moser, Reshoring Initiative</i>	Salons 5 & 6
2:45 p.m.	Break	
3:00 p.m.	Washington Update (Trade & Tariffs) <i>Omar Nashashibi, Inside Beltway</i>	Salons 5 & 6
4:00 p.m.	State of the Association <i>Angela Gibian, Forging Industry Association</i>	Salons 5 & 6
4:30 p.m.	Adjourn	
5:30 p.m.	Happy Hour <i>Dinner on own</i>	Salon 4
7:00 p.m.	Optional: Next Gen Dinner <i>** Next Gen Registrants Only</i>	Jason Aldean's Kitchen + Bar

October 21, 2026

8:00 a.m.	Breakfast	Salon 4
8:30 a.m.	Energy Market Overview <i>David Blair, Transparent Energy</i>	Salons 5 & 6
9:30 a.m.	Aerospace Market Overview <i>Stephen Lynn, Aerodynamic Advisory</i>	Salons 5 & 6
10:15 a.m.	Break	
10:30 a.m.	Artificial Intelligence for Forging Applications <i>Bryan DeBois, RoviSys</i>	Salons 5 & 6
11:30 a.m.	Adjourn	
2:30 p.m.	Optional Plant Tour: Ellwood Quality Steels Participants drive themselves, parking onsite. <i>75 minute drive - limited spots available.</i>	