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Dates Announced for Inspection Expo and Conference 2022

Organized by Inspectors for Inspectors

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The Inspection Exposition and Conference (IEC) is a unique opportunity for third-party inspectors to learn the latest practical insights from leading minds in the industry, all in one place – namely, Fort Worth, Texas, from February 23-25, 2022.

Experts from the American Welding Society (AWS), American Institute of Steel Construction (AISC), and Nondestructive Testing Management Association (NDTMA) will share tips, technology, and resources to improve the quality of inspectors' plans, drawings, documentation, visual inspections, procedures, and testing processes.

"The goal of the 2022 IEC is to provide two-and-a-half days of continuing education that is informative and entertaining for both beginners and more seasoned professionals in the inspection industry," said Gary Konarska II, CEO of the American Welding Society. "The keynote speakers, presentations, round tables, panel discussions, and hands-on product demonstrations will educate and arm attendees with comprehensive knowledge of three important facets of the inspection industry and all its career possibilities."

"High-quality welds quite literally hold our industry together," said AISC President Charles J. Carter, SE, PE, PhD. "Attending the IEC is a great way for inspectors to ensure that they are working with the latest best practices and are ready to apply them during their next visit to a jobsite or fabrication shop."

IEC participants can look forward to learning about:

- Inspection fundamentals
- Roles of QA/QC
- Nondestructive testing
- Corrosion and inspection plan development
- Inspection careers

- Visual defect and remote inspections
- Inspection documentation
- Advanced ultrasonic testing
- Welding, NDT, and coating
- **Procedures**

- Inspection auditing
- Welding design fundamentals
- Steel structural bolting
- Coating inspection

One previous Inspection Expo & Conference attendee commented, "I learned many more reasons why what we do and what we *will do* matters. I learned I need to do a lot more and that I am proud to be part of a dedicated community providing an essential variable to the fabrication of quality structural steel."

Registration includes access to the exhibit floor (featuring what's new and what's next in the inspection industry) as well as all presentations, morning and afternoon breaks, lunch, and drink tickets to happy hours where

participants will be able to share their experiences, collaborate, and make meaningful connections within this competitive industry through informal networking events.

Exhibitor space and sponsorship opportunities are available.

For more information about the 2022 Inspections Expo and Conference, visit aws.org/iec.

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About AWS: The American Welding Society is the worldwide authority in the development of <u>standards</u>, <u>certifications</u> and <u>educational programming</u> for the welding, allied joining and cutting community. We are a not-for-profit organization committed to connecting the welding industry to our extensive collection of resources, informing our community of technological advancements and developing the next generation of welding professionals with the help of the <u>AWS Foundation</u>. AWS serves over 60,000 <u>members</u> worldwide, is composed of 22 Districts with 250 Sections and Student Chapters, and includes more than 1500 volunteers in over 200 <u>technical committees</u>, subcommittees and task groups. For more information, visit the American Welding Society's website at <u>aws.org</u>.

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About AISC: The American Institute of Steel Construction, headquartered in Chicago, is a non-partisan, not-for-profit technical institute and trade association established in 1921 to serve the structural steel design community and construction industry. AISC's mission is to make structural steel the material of choice by being the leader in structural steel-related technical and market-building activities, including specification and code development, research, education, technical assistance, quality certification, standardization, market development, and advocacy. AISC has a long tradition of service to the steel construction industry of providing timely and reliable information. For more information, visit <u>aisc.org</u>.

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About NDTMA: The mission of the Nondestructive Testing Management Association (NDTMA) is to promote continuous growth and leadership development through the open exchange of management, technical, and regulatory information critical to the nondestructive testing (NDT) industry. NDTMA is a global NDT trade association which holds an annual conference, monthly webinars, and other programs that help NDT professionals focus on the successful management of their business. From regulatory and certification changes to emerging technologies to best practices in insurance, back-office management, succession planning and more, NDTMA helps businesses thrive and grow. For more information, visit ndtma.org.



