

Why should I attend the 2016 EMMOS Users Conference & Training?

It is understandable that some organizations may have restricted travel budget. Energy Management and Market Operation Systems (EMMOS) formerly called Energy Management Systems (EMS) Users Conference & Training is an incorporated, non-profit, non-affiliated, utility driven meeting that is not sponsored by any organization. The mission of the EMMOS Conference is to promote the use of non-proprietary, multi-exhibitor technology solutions in the Energy Management and market Systems arena. We, the conference board would like to offer the following information regarding the benefits of this meeting and justifications for its attendance.

Network with your Peers, Consultants, and Vendors

The Conference is an annual opportunity for EMS and Market System Users to meet and network in order to learn from each other expertise. This also provides an opportunity to talk with the consultants and vendors to get the big picture of the utility industry.

To provide an environment for networking, EMMOS conference has dedicated the evening of the first day of the conference to vendor demos exhibition over EMMOS provided Hors d'oeuvres. The vendors and consultants attending and demoing at this conference are focused on Control Center Systems like EMS/GMS/TMS/DMS, communication, visualization, plus consulting services. Users have the opportunity to see the latest products and services offerings. Since this is a focused group on control systems and market systems, users looking to replace and/or buy a new system have the opportunity to observe vendors latest products and services and find the right solution for their system operations. The networking also helps the vendors and the consultants to receive feedbacks to tailor their products and services better to meet the industry's needs.

Conference Educational Events

The User conference is designed to be educational. It provides opportunities for users to meet and discuss common topics of interest in the areas of technology, regulations, NERC CIP and Cyber Security, and operational best practices. The

learning potential for our users is extremely abundant due to the quality of the attendees, presentations, and presence of subject matter experts.

The education activities of the EMMOS Conference are for:

- sharing information related to the use of open systems technology and standards based approaches in the electric utility Control Center
- discussing technology developments in related fields
- staying current with the activities and developments of other organizations promoting or implementing standards that relate to the Control Center
- exploring the changing needs of the Control Center user community as it is impacted by the changing electric utility business environment
- informally exchanging ideas among utilities, Exhibitors and consultants
- encouraging solution providers to implement open standards

In addition to the informative and applied presentations, there is a roundtable with subject matter experts open to answer question on the subjects of interests.

The conference comes with two complementary 4-hours training on the subjects of users' interests and tour of a local utility energy control center. Participants at the trainings receive training certificates that could be used as mandatory continuing education for some utility companies.