

EMEA Regional Meeting

3rd Annual Meeting for Abacus

Europe, Middle East & Africa Regional Members



ABACUS
WORLDWIDE

4-5 April 2019
Hilton Molino Stucky
Venice, Italy

The Meeting

Abacus Worldwide brings firms together on a global scale but our Regional Meetings aim to connect members in a more localized environment. At our Regional Meetings member firms network, share local knowledge, exchange business ideas and discuss similar jurisdictional challenges.

We hope to see you in Venice “The City of Water” on 5 April 2019 for our EMEA Regional Meeting held at The Hilton Molino Stucky Venice.

Please also remember that each EMEA regional member’s 2019 dues include one pre-paid delegate registration for this conference regardless of participation, so please register to attend and have your firm represented in Venice.

Social Program Highlights

Thursday evening, we kick off the EMEA Regional Meeting in Venice. Delegates and guests will enjoy a welcome drink at the hotel followed by a networking dinner. Don’t miss this wonderful evening of food, friends and networking!

Educational Agenda

Thursday 4 April	
6:30PM – 7:15PM	Welcome Drink – Kick-off the conference with ample time to network with other members and enjoy the evening together. Delegates and Guests will have a welcome drink in the hotel.
7:15PM – 9:30PM	Networking Dinner – Delegates and Guests will enjoy a networking dinner.
Attire:	Smart Casual
Friday 5 April	
7:30AM – 8:45AM	Breakfast included with hotel stay – Buffett
9:00AM – 9:45AM	Welcome & Abacus Worldwide Regional Update – this presentation will give members a look at our regional focus/development for EMEA – Presented by Julio Gabay, President & CEO of Abacus
9:45AM – 10:15AM	Firm Introductions – New Members Only
10:15AM – 10:30AM	Networking Coffee Break
10:30AM – 12:00PM	Business Development Topic
12:00PM – 1:30PM	Lunch
1:30PM – 2:30PM	Doing Business in Italy – Presented by Abacus Italian Members
2:30PM – 2:45PM	Networking Coffee Break
2:45PM – 3:45PM	Regional Hot Topic
3:45PM – 4:45PM	Practice Management Round-Table
4:45PM – 5:00PM	Closing Remarks
Attire	Business Casual

CPE Information

Annual Regional Conference Speakers from industry, the profession, and academia will present new ideas and invaluable information on firm leadership. With sessions on Marketing, Technology and Firm Management, your organization will want to be represented as participants deal with the current issues in firm management.

<p>At this conference, participants will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communicate the regional developments and activities in place within Abacus Worldwide in EMEA. • Improve and maintain profitability through capitalizing on new opportunities regionally. • Develop priority setting and relationship building strategies critical to taking advantage of profit peaks; • Understand why required roles and resources are crucial to your firm's success. • Identify the international tools and resources available through the association. <p>REFUND AND CANCELLATION POLICY</p> <p>Each firm is required to prepay a registration fee for one delegate to attend the regional conference regardless of participation. Additional delegate registrations are optional. No refunds are made for the prepaid registration. Cancellation of additional delegate registration must be submitted in writing via email at info@abacusworldwide.org and must be received on or before March 25th, 2019 by 5:00PM Eastern to receive a full refund less a \$75 registration cancellation processing fee. Another registrant may be substituted for no additional fee. No telephone cancellations will be accepted. A 50% refund less a \$75 registration cancellation processing fee will be granted for cancellations submitted to Julio Gabay in writing via email from February 25th to March 25th, 2019. No refunds will be granted after March 25th. Refunds will be processed within 30 days after the conference.</p>	<p>REGISTRATION</p> <p>To register, please complete the attached registration form and return via email to info@abacusworldwide.org.</p> <p>\$750 for members (first delegate from EMEA pre-paid with dues) \$850 for non-members</p> <p>Conference participants can earn up to 5 hours in Marketing, Social Environment of Business, and Business Management & Organization</p> <p>Additional Information</p> <p>Prerequisite: Appropriate standing in the firm</p> <p>Who should attend: Managing Partners Partners Managers</p> <p>Advanced preparation: Presentations and Practice Management Survey will be sent to participants prior to conference</p> <p>Program Level: Advanced/update</p> <p>Delivery Method: Group-Live</p>
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DELEGATE REGISTRATION

(Please complete a separate registration form for each participant from your firm)

Delegate First Name _____

Delegate Last Name _____

Nickname for badge _____

Firm _____

Title _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Country _____

Email _____ Telephone _____

Please List Any Dietary Restrictions _____

PHOTO FOR CONFERENCE DIRECTORY: Please be sure to email a current photo of yourself, in digital format (JPG, GIF, TIFF), to Abacus Worldwide at info@abacusworldwide.org no later than **March 1, 2019**.

REGISTRATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY ABACUS WORLDWIDE BEFORE March 1, 2019 AT 5:00PM EASTERN

Payment Form

Type	Fee	# of Attendees	Subtotal
1 st Delegate Registration (EMEA Abacus Members)	PRE-PAID (EMEA ONLY)	X <u>1</u>	= <u>00.00</u>
1 st Delegate Registration (Non-EMEA Abacus Members)	US \$750 (NON-EMEA)	X	= _____
2 nd Delegate Registration (All Abacus Members)	US \$700 (ALL REGIONS)	X	= _____
Delegate Registration (Non-Abacus Members)	US \$850	X	= _____

TOTAL	= _____	= _____
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Delegate Registration Fee Includes: Opening Reception/Dinner; Conference Coffee Breaks; Conference Lunch; and all Conference Sessions & Materials.

I will Send Payment via Check from a US Bank

Please Charge my Credit Card Below

Credit Card Type: Visa Master Card Discover Amex

Credit Card Number: _____

Credit card CID Number: _____ Expiration: _____

Billing Street Address Only: _____

Billing Postal Code Only: _____

Name on Credit Card: _____

PAYMENT OF REGISTRATION FEES MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION FORMS

To register, please fill-in this registration and payment form, click on "file", "save as", then save to your computer, OR print to PDF, save and email saved form to Abacus via info@abacusworldwide.org by no later than **March 1, 2019** If paying via US check, mail payment to: P.O. Box 56-1166 Miami FL 33256-1166, USA by no later than **March 1, 2019**

Hotel Reservations

To **reserve your discounted room** at The Hilton Molino Stucky Venice, please click the following link: [Book your group rate for the Abacus Worldwide EMEA Meeting](#) to receive the group rate.

The Abacus Worldwide Conference rate at The **Hilton Molino Stucky Venice** is **€313.00** per night for single occupancy or **€335.00** per night for double occupancy for **check-in on 4 April** and **check-out on 5 April**. Room rates include VAT, free wi-fi and Hilton Buffet Breakfast. Room rates **DO NOT** include **Venice City Tax of €5** paid upon check-out. For booking an **upgrade to a suite**, or for **booking additional nights outside of the allowable dates** please make requests to [Abacus Worldwide](#) and we will make the necessary contacts at the hotel to accommodate your request.

Room Type	Rate	How to Book Reservation
Hilton Guest Room Single	€313.00	Book your group rate for the Abacus Worldwide EMEA Meeting
Hilton Guest Room Double	€335.00	Book your group rate for the Abacus Worldwide EMEA Meeting
Suite Upgrades Upon Request	TBD	Email Abacus Worldwide with request to be sent to hotel booking

Room types are not guaranteed and are based upon availability only. Sleeping room rates are commissionable and do not include city taxes. Taxes are subject to change.

To receive the group rate, reservations must be made **before 1 March 2019**. Reservations requested by attendees after this date will be accepted based upon availability and may not receive the discounted rate.

Quoted sleeping rates will be offered at the same group rate, based on space and rate availability, 3 nights pre/post the conference dates of 5 April. To reserve additional nights, please make your basic booking for the conference using the link above, then contact [Abacus Worldwide](#) with your additional dates needed and we will make the necessary contacts at the hotel to accommodate.

HOTEL DEPOSITS / CANCELLATION POLICY / CHECK-IN/OUT

A deposit equal to the total stay is required to hold each guest's reservation and will be charged at the time the reservation is made. **Deposits may be refunded only if the hotel receives notice of cancellation at least 72 hours prior to scheduled arrival.**

Check-in time is 3:00 PM and check-out time is 11:00 AM. All guests arriving before 3:00 PM will be accommodated as rooms become available.

Conference Registration Policy

FEES AND DEADLINES AT A GLANCE

Action	How	Cost	Send Payment To	Deadline Date
Register for Conference	Send below form to Abacus Worldwide	Delegate Fees: 1 st Delegate PREPAID \$700 per additional delegates \$850 per non-member	Abacus Worldwide	1 March 2019
Book Hotel	Contact the Hilton Molino Stucky Venice	€313 single per night €335 double per night City Tax of €5 is not included	Hilton Molino Stucky	1 March 2019
Book Travel	Book direct with preferred airline or travel agent	Variable, depending on departure location and travel dates	Airline/Transportation vendor of delegate's choice	As soon as possible to ensure best airfares

DEADLINE

To be considered “on time” and thereby guaranteed full access to all conference sessions and events, conference registrations must be received by Abacus Worldwide before 5:00 PM Eastern on **1 March 2019**.

Please note that hotel reservations are first-come, first-served and are not guaranteed under this registration policy. Consult the “hotel reservations” section of this registration packet for information about hotel registration deadlines and how to register for your hotel room.

CURRENCY

Fees listed for conference registration payable to Abacus are in **USD\$**. Fees listed for hotel rates payable to the hotel are in **Euros €**.

CANCELLATION POLICY

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GUEST: Guest registrations can be cancelled up to March 25th, 2019 for a partial refund of 50% less a \$75 registration cancellation fee. No refunds will be made after March 25th. All cancellations must be made in writing

and submitted to Julio Gabay via email at julio@abacusworldwide.org. No telephone cancellations will be accepted. Refunds will be processed within 30 days after the conference.

DELEGATE PHOTO CONFERENCE DIRECTORY

We are producing a photo conference directory for all those attending the 2019 EMEA Regional Meeting. This directory will allow fellow members to easily identify each other at the conference and will be a helpful aid for future business contacts.

Please email a recent photo of yourself in electronic format (JPG, GIF, TIFF) to Abacus Worldwide at info@abacusworldwide.org. For inclusion in the directory, your photo and registration materials MUST be received no later than **March 1, 2019**.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION TO HOTEL

The Hilton Molino Stucky is a 30-min private water taxi ride or 1-hour public transportation ride from Venice Marco Polo Airport (VCE).

Distance from VCE to Hotel: 11 miles/17 km

Private Water Taxi

Private Water Taxi Typical Minimum Charge from VCE Airport to Hilton Molino Stucky: €130.00 (up to 4 passengers). You can book a private water taxi dockside at the Airport Ferry Terminal.

Taxi/Bus/Water Bus

You can reach Piazzale Roma - Venice Bus Station, via public bus n.5. Then take ACTV public waterbus n. 2 or 4.1 (direction Giudecca-San Marco). Get off at Palanca stop, turn right and walk 10 mins to the hotel (crossing 2 bridges)

Additional arrival options are available at the following link:

<https://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/italy/hilton-molino-stucky-venice-VCEHHI/maps-directions/index.html>

Hotel Address:

Hilton Molino Stucky
Giudecca 810,
Venice, 30133 Italy
Tel: +39-041-2723311

WEATHER

Average temperature in Atlanta during May is High 59° to Low 44° (F) – High 15° to Low 7° (C).

OTHER ACTIVITIES WHILE IN ATLANTA

For more information on attractions and activities in and around Venice please visit: <http://www.italia.it/en/discover-italy/veneto.html>. In addition, if you require further assistance or guidance regarding your visit to Venice, please contact Julio Gabay with Abacus Worldwide at julio@abacusworldwide.org or at +1-305-389-9466.



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