



CHICAGO CONFERENCE WELCOME PACKET JAN 12-14, 2024



RADISSON BLU AQUA HOTEL 221 N COLUMBUS DRIVE CHICAGO IL 60601 Check-In is 3 PM, Check-out is 12 PM

ADMIS welcomes you back to our hometown city of Chicago for the 29th annual IB Conference!

This year's conference focuses on the evolving opportunities and challenges of the futures industry and will provide the tools, resources and information you need now.

Our conference takes place at the iconic Radisson Blu Aqua hotel. This striking hotel in the Lakeshore East neighborhood is within walking distance of Millennium Park, the Art Institute of Chicago, The Mag Mile and Navy Pier.

Explore more <u>here</u>

SCHEDULE of EVENTS – FRI, JAN 12

EXHIBITORS HALL HAPPY HOUR | 4 - 6 PM RADISSON BLU – ATLANTIC BALLROOM & FOYER

We kick off our 29th annual conference with an Exhibitors Hall Happy Hour, which leads into our Welcome Reception in the grand ballroom of the Radisson Blu. Explore exhibitors from both outside trading technology companies & futures Exchanges along with reps from ADMIS Research, NEXUS & Customer Support Center, OAK Trading, Compliance, New Accounts, Risk and Treasury teams. Adult beverages and apps served.



>>New This Year!!

ADMIS Research Team Exhibitor Booth | 4 – 6 PM

Our incredibly talented in-house research team of Alan Bush, Steve Freed and Mark Soderberg will be available to talk markets and answer questions during our Exhibitors Hall Happy Hour!

Digital Roost: Al's Role in Transforming Your Business | 4:30 -5:30 PM Shane Stiles; President, Gate 39 Media

This breakout session explains how Artificial Intelligence can improve efficiency, provide data and support your overall business growth. From a quick primer to examples you can use in your business, this session will provide actionable tips and takeaways to start using AI today!

EVENING WELCOME RECEPTION | 6 - 9 PM

RADISSON BLU – ATLANTIC BALLROOM & FOYER

Join the ADMIS Team for an evening of networking, food, drinks and live music with special guests overlooking the beautiful park in Lakeshore East at the iconic Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel! *Evening sponsored by*

SCHEDULE of EVENTS – SAT, JAN 13

EXHIBITOR SHOWCASE | 7-8 AM

RADISSON BLU – ATLANTIC BALLROOM, MAIN FLOOR

Explore exhibitors from both outside trading technology companies & futures exchanges along with reps from ADMIS NEXUS & Customer Support Center, OAK Trading, Compliance, New Accounts, Risk and Treasury teams. Check out ADMIS tools and apps designed to make your work day more efficient!

FOCUS ON THE FUTURE 2024

RADISSON BLU – ATLANTIC BALLROOM, MAIN LEVEL

- 7AM BREAKFAST, REGISTRATION and EXHIBITORS HALL OPEN
- 8AM 2024 WELCOME ADDRESS Kurt Johnson; VP, Business Dev, ADM Investor Services
- 8:10AM ADMIS IN 2024 AND BEYOND John Stott; CFO, Ag Services & Oilseeds, ADM Ray Bradbury; President, ADM Investor Services
- 8:30AM 2024: THE YEAR THE RATE HIKE CHICKENS WILL COME HOME TO ROOST Erik Norland; Sr Economist, CME Group
- 9:30AM EXHIBITORS INTERACTIVE BREAK
- **10:15AM ELECTION 2024: Potential Impact on Legislation** Bryan Dierlam; Dir, Federal Govt. Relations, ADM Greg Webb; VP, State Govt. Relations, ADM

11AM	GRAIN TRADING COMPLEXITY: ARE YOU PREPARED FOR
	INCREASING VOLATILITY?
	Dan Basse; President, AgResource Company

12PM LUNCH | EXHIBITORS HALL OPEN Sponsored by **CME Group**

1:15PM DON'T JUST COMPETE – WIN! Keynote Speaker: Mike Singletary Mike shares the lessons he's learned on the road to success, while giving practical tips that you can use immediately at your workplace and home!

- 2:15PM FINAL EXHIBITORS INTERACTIVE BREAK Sponsored by barchart
- 2:45PM GEOPOLITICS & COMMODITY PRICES IN 2024 David Hightower; President, The Hightower Report
- 3:45PM CLOSING COMMENTS
- 4PM END

EVENING ENTERTAINMENT | SAT, JAN 13

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS VS. DALLAS STARS UNITED CENTER | GATES OPEN AT 6 PM | 7 PM PUCK DROP



Get ready for an evening of fast-paced action between the Chicago Blackhawks and Dallas Stars NHL hockey teams! Dinner and drinks will be served in the United Center's all-inclusive Super-Suites located on the Penthouse Level.

>>Roundtrip shuttle service will be provided between the Radisson Blu and United Center<< Buses depart from at: 5:30 PM / 5:45 PM / 6 PM / 6:15 Return to hotel: 8 PM / 9 PM / 10+

ACCESSING HOCKEY GAME TICKETS

- Tickets are only accessible electronically via the <u>United Center Mobile App</u>.
- You will need to download the **United Center Mobile App** in the App Store for iPhone or Play Store for Android devices. If you do not already have an account, you will need to create one using your email address and password.
- Jeannie DeVita will send your ticket(s) through the app using the email address associated with your account.
- On event night, your smartphone <u>is</u> your ticket into the United Center.
- Prior to arriving at the event, log into your United Center app, select the Blackhawks game, tap your ticket and present your smart phone to the Guest Service Representative for bar code scanning. If you are bringing a guest and have multiple tickets on your smart phone, simply swipe to navigate between them.
- Only one small personal bag or purse up to up to 10" x 6" x2" are allowed in the stadium.

SCHEDULE of EVENTS – SUN, JAN 14

BRUNCH AND BLOODY MARY'S RADISSON BLU ATLANTIC BALLROOM & FOYER | 8:30AM TO 10:30AM



Before you head back home, join the ADMIS Team for an indulgent farewell brunch including mimosa's and bloody mary's!

FEATURED SPEAKERS



MIKE SINGLETARY | NFL Football Coach, Former Player, Hall of Famer

Mike Singletary is perhaps most recognized as one of the Chicago Bears' toughest middle linebackers with the ferocious eyes peering across the line into the opposing quarterback's face. He was a member of the famed '85 Super Bowl team and made 10 trips to the Pro Bowl in his 12 years as a player. He also led the NFL as Defensive Player of the Year three times, and was the Bears' team captain for ten years.

Since retiring from football in 1993, he spent ten years as a motivational speaker and corporate consultant helping companies elevate their strategies for teamwork and overall success. However in 2003, after swearing off many previous requests to coach, he answered the call and became the Linebackers coach of the Baltimore Ravens. He followed that

up with a move to San Francisco, ultimately being named Head Coach for two years, and then spent three years with the Minnesota Vikings.

In addition to his coaching duties, Singletary has authored three books: Singletary One on One, Calling the Shots and Daddy's Home at Last. Singletary and his wife, Kim, have seven children and nine grandchildren.



John Stott | CFO, Ag Services & Oilseeds; ADM

John Stott is CFO, Ag Services & Oilseeds. He was most recently president of ADMIS from July 2022 through January 2024. John joined ADM in 1992 and held a number of leadership positions in accounting and finance. Prior to his current responsibilities, John was ADM's corporate controller and principal accounting officer. Before that, he served as operations controller and as ADM's European finance director, based in Hamburg, Germany.

Before joining ADM, John spent 5 years with Continental Grain Company in London, England. He completed his accounting qualifications in the UK, studying with the Association of Accounting Technicians and then the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, where today he continues to serve as a fellow member.



Ray Bradbury | President; ADM Investor Services

Ray Bradbury is President of ADM Investor Services.

He is nearly a twenty-year ADM veteran, starting in 2024, most recently serving as President of Risk Management.

Prior to ADM, Ray spent 20 years in senior positions in the Canadian grain industry, including 7 years as a broker on the Winnipeg Commodity exchange. He brings to ADMIS significant and deep knowledge of our business and relationships established over his many years with the company. Ray holds a bachelor's degree in agriculture from the University of Manitoba.



Kurt Johnson | VP, Business Dev; ADM Investor Services

Kurt Johnson is Vice President, Business Development for ADM Investor Services and also serves as President of its wholly owned subsidiary, Archer Financial Services. His responsibilities include the oversight of both the ADMIS Sales & Marketing and Research departments. He began his career in the futures industry in 1986 as a broker and a few years later founded the introducing brokerage firm, Sinclair Futures. Kurt currently serves on the IB Advisory Committee for the National Futures Association. He has been with ADMIS since 2002.



Greg Webb | Vice President, State Government Relations; ADM

Greg Webb joined ADM in 1986, working in the North American oilseeds processing business. In July 2002, he was named the company's North American trade representative for Grain and Oilseeds. He has served in his current role since October 2007.

Greg holds a bachelor's degree in agriculture economics from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. He serves on the boards of the Public Affairs Council, Chairman of the Board of the Illinois Manufacturers'

Association, and is chair of the Central Illinois Political Action Committee.



Bryan Dierlam | Director, Federal Government Relations; ADM

Bryan Dierlam joined ADM in 2015 where he leads ADM's federal portfolio on Futures/Derivatives Policy, Transportation, Taxation and Animal Nutrition.

During his 25-year public policy career in Washington, Bryan has made significant contributions to many critical and challenging issues in agriculture including Four Farm Bills, Mandatory Livestock Price Reporting; Country of Origin Labeling; Trade Policy; "Mad Cow" Disease;

Recovery from Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Harvey and Superstorm Sandy; Corporate Tax Reform; Dodd-Frank; Swap Dealer Regulations; Commodity Position Limits; Bonafide Hedge Exemptions; Ocean Shipping Reform Act; Supply Chain Disruptions; Biofuels; Rail Transportation; Inland Waterways Infrastructure Policy; and the Global Roundtable on Sustainable Beef.

Prior to joining ADM, Bryan held public policy positions with the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, the U.S. House Committee on Agriculture, and Cargill. Before his career in the Nation's Capital, Bryan held a commercial role with Koch Industries where he originated grain, oilseeds and feed ingredients; procured products for a startup feed venture; and evaluated a high-tech cattle management system installed in Koch's feedyards.

Bryan holds a bachelor's degree in Animal Science and an MBA from Texas A&M University. He lives on Capitol Hill with his wife, his Eagle Scout son and Eagle-scout candidate daughter.



Erik Norland | Executive Director & Senior Economist; CME Group

Erik Norland is Executive Director and Senior Economist of CME Group. He is responsible for generating economic analysis on global financial markets by identifying emerging trends, evaluating economic factors and forecasting their impact on CME Group and the company's business strategy, and upon those who trade in its various markets. He is also one of CME Group's spokespeople on global economic, financial and geopolitical conditions.

Prior to joining CME Group, Eric gained more than 18 years of experience in the financial services industry working for investment banks and hedge funds both in the United States and in France. He most recently served in sales and research at BEAM Bayesian Efficient Asset Management LLC. He began his career at Bankers Trust, Global Investment Management in New York working with the tactical asset allocation group.



Dan Basse | President; AgResource Company

Dan Basse is a professional economist and analyst that has been in the commodity business since 1979. Raised on a dairy and grain farm in Waukesha, Wisconsin, Dan has a keen sense of production agriculture. In 1988, he founded AgResource Company in Chicago. AgResource is a domestic and international Ag Advisory and Research firm which forecasts domestic and world agricultural price trends.



David Hightower | President; The Hightower Report

David Hightower is a founding principal of The Hightower Report, a commodity research and information corporation, specializing in high quality futures research and analysis for individual investors, brokers, commercial producers and end users. The Hightower Report publishes one of the most widely read daily commodity wires in the world and has become a highly utilized industry consulting service with many brokerage firms.

With over 35 years of experience, David is thoroughly versed in the complex interaction of the world markets and global businesses, and his closeness to the markets is evidenced in his direct and opinionated analysis. David has regularly appeared on CNN, Bloomberg Television and ONN.tv and is often cited in the Wall Street Journal, Futures Magazine, Reuters and many other industry publications.



Shane Stiles | President; Gate 39 Media

Gate 39 Media is a digital marketing and technology firm specializing in serving the financial and agriculture industries. With over two decades of experience in this sector, Shane has created a full-service agency that helps clients optimize their operations and build their business.

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PREPARING FOR YOUR TRIP

Our conference weekend is Resort/Business Casual for all sessions and events.

>>TIP: Bring warm clothes and comfortable shoes!

WEATHER

The average daily highs are around 20°F to 0°F as the lows this time of year.

RADISSON BLU AQUA HOTEL

The Radisson Blu Aqua hotel is 100% smoke-free.

Check in is 3 PM. Check out is 12 PM.

GETTING AROUND CHICAGO

AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

TO RADISSON BLU AQUA HOTEL From O'Hare Airport (ORD) 18 miles

<u>CTA Train</u> – From O'Hare to downtown takes about 45 minutes and costs \$5.00 to downtown and \$2.25 back to O'Hare from the city. Trains run about every 15 minutes. You will be on the BLUE line heading to Forest Park.

<u>Taxi</u> – From O'Hare to Downtown takes about 1 hour depending on weather and traffic conditions due to road construction on the Kennedy Expressway. Cost will be around \$50.

Ride-Shares Uber & Lyft <u>Hotel Shuttle</u> – "GO Airport Express" leaves every 10-15 minutes and costs \$30 per person oneway or roundtrip \$52. This green & white van can be found just outside of the baggage claim area. Tickets can be purchased at their kiosk. Please contact 1.888.720.6533 or go to <u>www.airportexpress.com</u> for more information.

From Midway Airport (MDW) – 11.1 miles

<u>CTA Train</u> – <u>CTA Train</u> – From Midway to Downtown takes about 35 minutes and costs \$2.25 each way. You will be on the ORANGE Line. Take the Orange Line to the Loop.

Taxi – From Midway to Downtown takes about 25 minutes and costs about \$40.

Ride-Shares Uber & Lyft

<u>Hotel Shuttle</u> – "GO Airport Express" leaves about every 15 minutes and costs \$25 per person one-way or roundtrip \$42. This green & white van can be found just outside of the baggage claim area. Tickets can be purchased at their kiosk. Please contact 1.888.284.3826 or go to <u>www.airportexpress.com</u> for more information.

RADISSON BLU AQUA PARKING

Valet Parking is Offered to all Hotel Guests with In/Out Privileges - **\$75 Overnight (subject to change).** Guests can pay for their own Parking by adding it to their Guestroom or by paying at the Front Desk.

Event Valet Parking is Offered to those Guests Attending the Event Only - **\$33 (subject to change)**. Guests can pay for the ADMIS event parking at the Front Desk.

Self-Parking Information:

Self-Parking is Available in the Garage attached to the Hotel **(225 N. Columbus Dr)** although Payment **CANNOT** be Added to a Guestroom. Self-Parking will **NEED** to be paid at a Pay Station in the Garage. Self-Parking does **NOT** offer In/Out Privileges.

Self-Parking Garage Pricing (subject to change) – Clearance 6' 10"

0-1 Hour - **\$23** 1-2 Hours - **\$28** 2- 6 Hours - **\$33** 6 – 12 Hours - **\$38** 12 – 24 Hours - **\$54**

You can also check out the **Spot Hero** app for less expensive parking locations near the hotel at <u>www.spothero.com</u>.

To The Chicago Board of Trade

The ADMIS office is 1 mile from the Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel.

Start out going south on Columbus. Turn right onto to Randolph. Take Randolph west to LaSalle Street. Turn left on LaSalle and head south to LaSalle/Jackson. The CBOT main entrance is at 141 W. Jackson.



Once inside the CBOT building, to get to our office you will need to first check in at the Security desk on the Second Floor Lobby. *Please have a photo ID available*. After you are signed in, they will buzz you through a turnstile by the steel elevator doors. Head up to the 12th floor. You will exit onto the Atrium/Annex lobby. Walk across to the next bank of elevators. Take these up to the 21st floor. We are at Suite 2100A.

Things To Do In Chicago

To start planning your adventure, check out all of the fun at www.choosechicago.com

SPA AT RADISSON BLU AQUA HOTEL

Hours are subject to change.

Spa: Discover an oasis of relation at the onsite spa by Windy City Massage.. Services include massages, body treatments and facials. To book, call 312.946.3000 or visit <u>our website</u>.

Shopping on Michigan Avenue. The "Magnificent Mile" is lined with beautiful and unique shops - the ones below are indoor malls:

Water Tower Place (0.8 miles)

835 N Michigan Ave Hours: Mon-Sat 10am to 7pm, Sun 11am to 6pm

Shops at 900 North Michigan, featuring Bloomingdales

900 N Michigan Ave Hours: Mon-Sat 10am to 8pm, Sun Noon to 6pm **Shops at North Bridge**, featuring Nordstrom's 520 N Michigan Ave Hours: Mon-Sat 10am to 8pm, Sun 11am to 6pm

Navy Pier (0.7 miles)

600 E. Grand Ave. <u>www.navypier.com</u> Encompassing more than 50 acres along the Lakefront of retail shops, restaurants and activities.

Millennium Park (0.5 miles) 201 E. Randolph at Michigan Ave. This 24.5 acre green space hosts an ice skating rink as well as the famous Cloud Gate "Bean" sculpture. <u>www.millenniumpark.org</u>

The Art Institute (0.5 miles) They are at 111 S. Michigan at Adams. <u>www.artic.edu</u>

Field Museum

1400 S. Lake Shore Drive. <u>www.fieldmuseum.org</u>

Shedd Aquarium (2 miles) 1200 S. Lake Shore Drive. <u>www.sheddaquarium.org</u>

→Sight-Seeing Tours: The Chicago Architecture Foundation does a really great job on tours of our great city. They have some walking tours (that might be a little cold in January!) and also some bus tours. Check out the various tours they offer at: http://www.architecture.org/tours.aspx

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT VENUES

Buddy Guy's Legends (Blues) 700 S. Wabash Ave www.buddyguys.com

Andy's Jazz Club 11 E. Hubbard www.andysjazzclub.com

Reggie's Chicago (up and coming acts) 2105 S State Street <u>www.reggieslive.com</u>

