Wheel Rail Interaction 2021 Sponsor Opportunities

Railroader Attendance Up Again For 2021
The Wheel Rail Interaction Conference continues to attract record numbers of professional railroaders from major heavy haul and rail transit properties. The 2019 conference held last June was very well received by attendees, speakers, and sponsors, and continued the upswing in railroader attendance that started with the 2009 conference. This very encouraging trend can be credited to several factors: an incredible lineup of presenters, the quality of the technical content provided by these world-class railroading professionals, and the media support provided by *Trains* magazine. The popular Rail Transit Seminar, added in 2009, is now a permanent part of the Wheel Rail Seminars curriculum.

The ExpoZone: Expanded Marketing Opportunities
Now in its eleventh year, the ExpoZone offers marketers effective, up-close exposure at WRI 2021 seminars. As in 2019, all sponsorship levels for Rail Transit and Heavy Haul will include the Principles Course benefits package in the base price! The Principles Course has proven to be a very popular event, drawing attendees from both Rail Transit and Heavy Haul disciplines. Details on the program and sponsorship package pricing is attached. Please review and reserve your sponsorship early as space is limited and awarded on a “first-come” basis.

Location and Schedule
WRI 2021 is being held at the Loews Chicago O’Hare and we have secured special discount pricing on rooms for the conference. Be sure to reserve your room early to receive this discounted rate. **The 2021 conference will run Monday through Thursday.** The Rail Transit Seminar starts things off on Monday, October 18; the Principles Course (designed for both Transit and Heavy Haul attendees) will be held on Tuesday, October 19; the 2-day Heavy Haul Seminar follows on Wednesday, October 20 and Thursday, October 21.

We look forward to working with you to make WRI 2021 a great experience for our attendees. Please review the attached sponsor information and contact us with questions.
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**PRINCIPLES COURSE SPONSORSHIP BONUS**
Your Rail Transit sponsorship now includes the matching level of benefits for the October 19th Principles Course - at no additional cost. That means you will receive FREE Principles Course Sponsor benefits at the same level as your Rail Transit Sponsorship.

**SPONSOR LEVELS**

**Rail Transit Seminar, October 18, 2021**
All sponsorships include same-level benefits for the Principles Course held October 19, 2021!

**Platinum Sponsorship** – $3,800
Includes all Gold Level Benefits PLUS:
- One (1) additional complimentary registration for a total of three (3) complimentary registrations
- Sponsor Bio Page* with company info, logos and links to your site, plus special recognition on site

**Double Platinum Sponsorship** – $9,600
- Includes Platinum Level Sponsorship for all three events (Rail Transit, Principles, Heavy Haul)
- In addition, your organization will receive (1) half page ad in TRAINS Magazine. Graphic design included with tag line, “Look for us at the WRI’ 21 Conference in Chicago, October 18-21, 2021”
- One Year Sponsorship with Interface Journal Including prominent spot with your logo and hot link to your web site.

**Gold Sponsorship** – $2,950
Includes all Silver Level Benefits PLUS:
- One (1) additional complimentary registration for a total of two (2) complimentary registrations for the Rail Transit Seminar, Principles Course and related social events
- 6’ Display Table in the Rail Transit Reception

**Double Gold Sponsorship** – $6,900
- Includes Gold Level Sponsorship for all three events (Rail Transit, Principles, Heavy Haul)
- In addition, your organization will receive (1) third page ad in TRAINS Magazine. Graphic design included with tag line, “Look for us at the WRI’ 21 Conference in Chicago, October 18-21, 2021”
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**Silver Sponsorship** – $2,300
Includes all Bronze Level Benefits PLUS:
- One (1) Complimentary registration for the Rail Transit Seminar, Principles Course and related social events
- 6’ Display table in ExpoZone/Refreshment Area
- On-screen logo presence in General Session Room
- Recognition on sponsor signage in Rail Transit & Principles registration area

**Double Silver Sponsorship** – $5,450
- Includes Silver Level Sponsorship for all three events (Rail Transit, Principles, Heavy Haul)
- In addition, your organization will receive (1) quarter page ad in TRAINS Magazine. Graphic design included with tag line, “Look for us at the WRI’ 21 Conference in Chicago, October 18-21, 2021”
- One Year Sponsorship with Interface Journal Including prominent spot with your logo and hot link to your web site.

**Bronze Sponsorship** – $800
- Acknowledgment on select printed Rail Transit Seminar and Principles Course materials
- Logo placement on the Rail Transit and Principles Course website with link to your website

**Double Bronze Sponsorship** - $1,600
Includes Bronze Level Sponsorship for all three events (Rail Transit, Principles, Heavy Haul)
PRINCIPLES COURSE SPONSORSHIP BONUS

Your Heavy Haul sponsorship now includes the matching level of benefits for the October 19th Principles Course - at no additional cost. That means you will receive FREE Principles Course Sponsor benefits at the same level as your Heavy Haul Sponsorship.

SPONSOR LEVELS

Heavy Haul Seminar, October 18-21, 2021

All sponsorships include same-level benefits for the Principles Course held October 19, 2021!

Platinum Sponsorship - $5,500
Includes all Gold Level Benefits PLUS:
• One (1) additional complimentary registration for a total of three (3) complimentary registrations
• “Sponsor Bio Page” with company info, logos and links to your site, plus special recognition on site

Double Platinum Sponsorship - $9,600
• Includes Platinum Level Sponsorship for all three events (Rail Transit, Principles, Heavy Haul)
• In addition, your organization will receive (1) half page ad in TRAINS Magazine. Graphic design included with tag line, “Look for us at the WRI’ 21 Conference in Chicago, October 18-21, 2021”
• One Year Sponsorship with Interface Journal Including prominent spot with your logo and hot link to your web site.

Gold Sponsorship - $3,800
Includes all Silver Level Benefits PLUS:
• One (1) additional complimentary registration for a total of two (2) complimentary registrations to the Heavy Haul, Principles Course and related social events
• 6′ Display Table in the Heavy Haul Welcome Reception

Double Gold Sponsorship - $6,900
• Includes Gold Level Sponsorship for all three events (Rail Transit, Principles, Heavy Haul)
• In addition, your organization will receive (1) third page ad in TRAINS Magazine. Graphic design included with tag line, “Look for us at the WRI’ 20 Conference in Chicago, October 18-21, 2021”
• One Year Sponsorship with Interface Journal Including prominent spot with your logo and hot link to your web site.

Silver Sponsorship - $3,200
Includes all Bronze Level Benefits PLUS:
• One (1) Complimentary registration for the Heavy Haul Seminar, Principles Course and related social events
• 6′ Display table in ExpoZone/Refreshment Area
• On-screen logo presence in General Session Room
• Recognition on sponsor signage in Heavy Haul & Principles registration area

Double Silver Sponsorship - $5,450
• Includes Silver Level Sponsorship for all three events (Rail Transit, Principles, Heavy Haul)
• In addition, your organization will receive (1) quarter page ad in TRAINS Magazine. Graphic design included with tag line, “Look for us at the WRI’ 21 Conference in Chicago, October 18-21”
• One Year Sponsorship with Interface Journal Including prominent spot with your logo and hot link to your web site.

Bronze Sponsorship - $1,000
• Acknowledgment on select printed Heavy Haul Seminar and Principles Course materials
• Logo placement on the Heavy Haul and Principles Course website with link to your website

Double Bronze Sponsorship - $1,600
Includes Bronze Level Sponsorship for all three events (Rail Transit, Principles, Heavy Haul)
WINDY CITY SPONSORSHIP - $15,000

- ½ Page Ad in *Trains* magazine, your choice of issue. (upgrade to larger ad at additional price)
- Special signage throughout the conference with sponsor’s logo
- One Luncheon Sponsorship - Choice of three luncheons to sponsor with signage
- Joint sponsorship in the Heavy Haul “Grand Buffet”
- 25% discount on registration for all company personnel
- One Year Sponsorship with Interface Journal Including prominent spot with your logo and hot link to your web site.
- Double Platinum Sponsorship benefits (Applies to all three events – Rail Transit Seminar, Principles Course, Heavy Haul Seminar)
  - Three Complimentary Registrations
  - Sponsor Bio Page with company information, logo & link to your site, on the conference web site
  - 6’ display table in both the Rail Transit & Heavy Haul Seminar’s reception
  - 6’ display table in the ExpoZone/refreshment area
  - On-screen logo presence in the General Session Room
  - Recognition on sponsor signage
  - Acknowledgment on select printed materials
  - Logo Placement with hot link on each event web page
  - Recognition from the podium during General Session
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SPONSOR COMMITMENT FORM
SPACE IS LIMITED & ASSIGNED ON A “FIRST COME” BASIS
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☐ Rail Transit Sponsorship  ☐ Heavy Haul Sponsorship

Sponsoring Company Name ___________________________________________________________

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