



U.S. Chamber of Commerce
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U.S. Business Council in Iraq

“Supply Chain Opportunities: A Partnership Between Iraq & the United States”
Basrah, Iraq | November 7, 2012

The U.S. Chamber’s U.S.-Iraq Business Initiative (USIBI) is partnering with the U.S. Business Council in Iraq (USBCI) to organize a high-profile Supplier’s Conference in Basrah, Iraq on November 7, 2012. During this conference, representatives of participating companies will meet the governor of Basrah, other key Iraqi officials, Iraqi business leaders, and U.S. government representatives in Basrah.

The economic data bears out that Basrah is a critical commercial hub in Iraq with vast energy resources and the country’s only deep water port. Governing officials in Basrah and local business leaders strongly desire greater participation by American companies in their local economy. The conference will bring key stakeholders together in one venue while also offering participating American companies an opportunity to learn more about the substantial opportunities in the Basrah Governorate and provide them a platform to convey their capacity and interest in pursuing projects and commercial opportunities in Iraq.

The conference will explore supply chain, customs, and trade facilitation issues and focus on areas such as energy, infrastructure, manufacturing, regulation and security. An agenda is being developed with the goal of facilitating and deepening cooperation between American businesses and Iraqi partners in both the public and private sectors.

The conference is open to members of the U.S. Chamber, USBCI, and non-members as well. Please email Steve Lutes, director of the USIBI, at slutes@uschamber.com or Hussain Qaragholi, President of the US Business Council in Iraq, at hussain@usbusinessiraq.com at your earliest convenience to reserve a place for your company, providing the name and title of the person(s) attending.

Registration

- **U.S. Chamber Member and/ or USBCI Member Companies (\$1,500):** Includes participation for up to 2 persons and possible speaking role at the conference. **Members with 50 employees or fewer: \$500**
- **Non-Member Companies (\$5,000):** Includes speaking role and participation for up to 2 persons.
- **The registration fee includes participation in the conference, lunch, and networking reception. All participants will be responsible for covering their airfare and hotel expenses.**

Sponsorship

Gold Sponsor (\$10,000): Includes keynote speaking role at the conference, recognition as sponsor on conference materials, participation for up to four persons, and a private dinner with the Governor and/or the GOI delegation.

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The U.S.-Iraq Business Initiative (USIBI) is the foremost advocacy organization representing America’s leading companies doing business with Iraq. For more information, [visit this site](#).

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce is the world’s largest business federation representing the interests of more than 3 million businesses of all sizes, sectors, and regions, as well as state and local chambers and industry associations.

The U.S. Business Council in Iraq (USBCI) is a private nonprofit business consortium dedicated to promoting U.S. private sector investment in Iraq in a socially responsible manner. For more information, [visit this site](#).