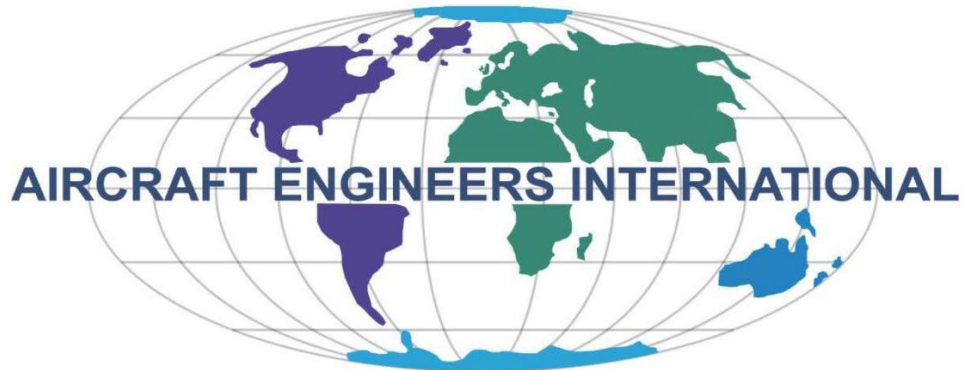


Invitation

AIRCRAFT ENGINEERS INTERNATIONAL



54th ANNUAL CONGRESS

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

28 Oct – 30 Oct 2026



Congress Information

Aircraft Engineers International (AEI), in conjunction with its host affiliate, the **Aircraft Mechanics Fraternal Association (AMFA)**, will be hosting AEI's 54th Annual Congress in Nashville, Tennessee. The program runs from October 28th to October 31st, 2026. All major arrangements have been made and booked. Below is the planned schedule and proposed starting times (subject to minor changes).

Arrival & Check-In Note: The hotel has confirmed that **delegates and attendees are welcome to check in starting Monday, October 26th**. This allows everyone ample time to arrive, adjust to the time zone, and explore Nashville before the official welcome events begin on Tuesday afternoon and the formal congress sessions start Wednesday morning.

Schedule:

Mon 26th October (Early Arrival & Check-In)

- Room Block Opens / Individual Guest Check-In

Tue 27th October (Official Delegate Arrival Day)

- Delegate Arrival & Check-In
- **AMFA Hosted Welcome Event** | 17:00 to 19:30

Wed 28th Oct (Congress Day 1)

- Congress Session (*Heart of Peabody Room*) | 9:00 to 15:00
- Gala Dinner | approx. 20:30

Thu 29th Oct (Congress Day 2)

- Congress Session (*Heart of Peabody Room*) | 9:00 to 15:00
- Social Event | Nashville Trolley Tour | 16:45
- Social Dinner | approx. 20:30

Fri 30th Oct (Congress Day 3 / Closing)

- Congress Session / Closing (*Heart of Peabody Room*) | 9:00 to 14:00
- Social Event | Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum | 15:00

Sat 31st October

- Official Delegate Departure & Checkout

Accommodation

Accommodation has been reserved at a high-end hotel, **Home2 Suites by Hilton Nashville Downtown Convention Center**, where the congress sessions will also take place in the *Heart of Peabody* function space. The accommodation is located at **500 Rep John Lewis Way South, Nashville, TN 37203**.

The contracted room type is the spacious **1 King Studio**. Group bookings have been secured; however, due to strong seasonal demand in downtown Nashville, early booking is highly encouraged to ensure availability within our block.

The negotiated group room rate is:

- **1 KING STUDIO:** \$269.00 USD per night *Prices are exclusive of applicable state and local taxes, fees, and assessments (currently \$2.50 + 9.75% + 7%, subject to change).*

Parking Logistics

- For delegates planning to drive or rent a vehicle, self-parking is available directly at the hotel.
- Parking in the hotel's private gated garage is securely allocated at a negotiated rate of **\$39/night**.

Room Reservation & Payment Policy

- **Method of Reservation:** Attendees can book directly online via the internet using [HiltonLink](#) (Hilton's free online booking tool populated with our negotiated group rate), or by directly calling the hotel's main number (+1-629-255-0300) and asking for the **Aircraft Engineers International** block.
- **Cut-Off Date:** To secure the negotiated group rate, all individual room reservations must be confirmed no later than **September 26, 2026**. Bookings requested after this date will be subject to prevailing hotel rates and availability.
- **Payment arrangements:** Room, tax, and incidental charges will be paid directly by individual guests upon check-in/checkout.
- **Cancellation Policy:** Any individual room cancellations received within 48 hours prior to the date of arrival, or no-shows, will be charged one night's room and tax to the individual's credit card.
- **Early Departure Fee:** Guests checking out prior to their reserved departure date will incur an early checkout fee equal to 1 night's room and tax. To avoid this, please advise the hotel at or before check-in of any changes to your length of stay.

Travel

Staff & Standby tickets are not recommended. As Nashville is a highly popular travel destination, aircraft load management can be very unpredictable. The earlier the airfares are booked, the cheaper the ticket's cost usually is.

US Visas / ESTA

Important: For those coming from outside the United States, it is essential to arrange a visa or an Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA) well in advance, as processing may take a significant amount of time depending on the country of origin. Make sure all required documents are in order to avoid travel setbacks.

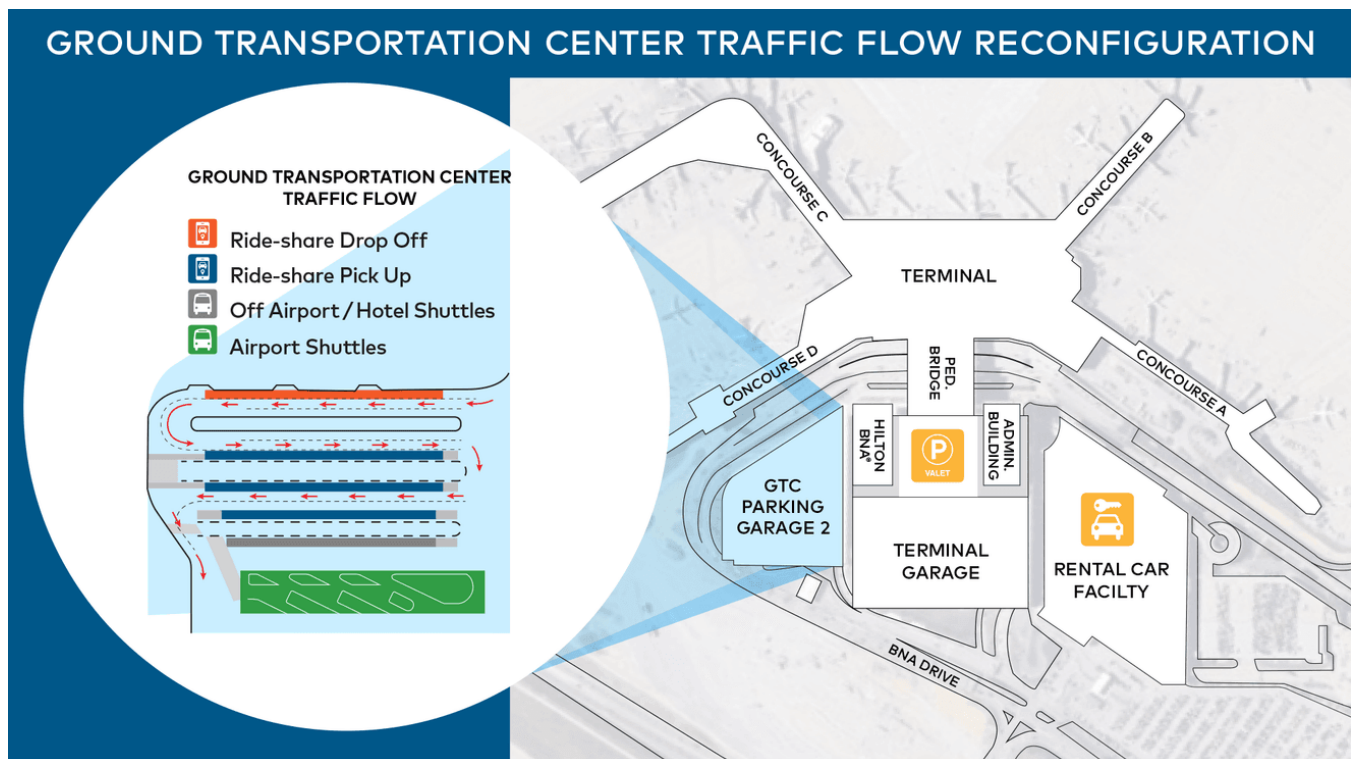
Ground Transport

Uber and Lyft are the recommended transportation methods from Nashville International Airport (BNA) to the hotel (approx. \$25–\$35 depending on traffic). Designated rideshare pick-up zones exist clearly marked at the airport terminal.

BNA Rideshare Pick-Up Directions:

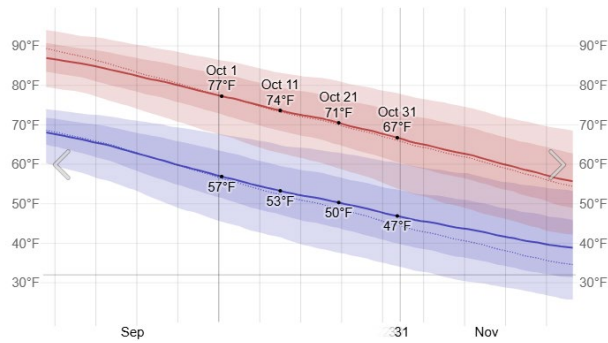
- Upon leaving Baggage Claim, follow the digital and physical signs guiding towards Ground Transportation / Rideshare.
- Proceed out of the terminal to the designated pickup zones located in the parking garage framework.
- Wait in the designated area; your app-based driver will meet you at the numbered pickup slot corresponding to your connection.
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All delegates will be provided with ground transport from the congress accommodation to all social events during the congress, when required.



Weather

October in Middle Tennessee is widely considered one of the best times to visit Nashville, boasting beautiful autumn foliage and crisp, clear air. Average daytime highs typically reach around **22°C (72°F)**, while nighttime temperatures drop to a refreshing **10°C (50°F)**. Rain is statistically low during October, making it ideal for the outdoor elements of our planned evening social tracks.



Cost

Reservations for the main meeting spaces and the initial block of studio rooms have already been finalized. With this invitation officially distributed, delegates may access international or domestic airfares available at competitive seasonal rates. It remains highly inadvisable to rely on employee standby ticketing due to volatile cargo and passenger load factors.

AEI Congress Nashville 2026 Attendance Information

Many delegates are already organizing travel arrangements. This is a timely reminder to kindly confirm your attendance at the AEI Congress, scheduled to take place in Nashville in October 2026, regardless of whether you have previously established contact with the organizing committee or host affiliates.

Please provide the information requested below. **One person per sheet.**

Information Sheet

Delegate Name:

Affiliate Name or Associate Member:

Partner's name (if relevant):

Dates of Accommodation required:

Social Event – None/Single/#Guests:

Flight Information (if known):

Email Contact address:

Further Information

This invitation has been provided so that affiliates / delegates can register and confirm their planned attendance at AEI's 54th Annual Congress to be held in Nashville, Tennessee.

Should you have any questions regarding global administration, please feel free to contact:

- **Ola Blomqvist** - AEI President: ola.blomqvist@airengineers.org
- **Chris Burleigh** - AEI Secretary General: chris.burleigh@airengineers.org

For local venue arrangements or AMFA hosting inquiries, contact:

- **Cameron Lampley** - Secretary of the Americas: amfalocal18secretary@gmail.com