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September 30 – October 2, 2026



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ABOUT EFCG

EFCG is a global specialized mergers & acquisitions (M&A) advisor and management consultant to architecture, engineering, and consulting (AEC) firms. Our mission is to provide a strategic edge to AEC firms to advance the industry through our end-to-end, integrated solutions that support executive leaders with their most critical strategic and financial decisions.

For 35+ years and counting, we have served as a retained advisor to 550+ firms, developed an extensive proprietary database of financial and business metrics from our clients, held more than 125 executive conferences, and advised on 250+ M&A transactions. The relationships we have formed with the executive teams at every major AEC firm make us a valued and trusted advisor.

Management Consulting

550+

AEC Firms Advised

- Strategic Planning
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- Valuations
- Talent & Compensation
- Technology & Innovation
- Sustainability & ESG

Mergers & Acquisitions

250+

M&A Transactions Advised On

- Sell- & Buy-Side Assignments
- Capital Structure Analysis
- Corporate Divestitures & Tech Spinouts
- Strategic & Private Equity Partner Engagement
- Integration Planning
- Due Diligence & Market Studies

Executive Conferences

125+

Conferences Hosted

- Analysis on AEC Trends from EFCG's Proprietary Industry Database
- Perspectives from Subject Matter Experts and Industry Executives
- Invaluable Peer-Networking Opportunities

Advanced Data Analytics & Insights

EFCG has developed a comprehensive proprietary database exclusively for the industry

6

Annual
Surveys

8M+

Data Points
Every Year

500+

Database
Contributing Firms

EFCG's Recent M&A Transactions

 a portfolio company of STERLING INVESTMENT PARTNERS has acquired  EFCG served as advisor to Verdantas  July 2026	 NEW MOUNTAIN CAPITAL has partnered with  EFCG served as a financial advisor to New Mountain Capital  July 2026	 a portfolio company of Blackstone has acquired the Leak Detection and Repair (LDAR) assets from  ATLAS TECHNICAL CONSULTANTS a portfolio company of GI PARTNERS EFCG advised Alliance Technical Group  May 2026	 a portfolio company of RTC PARTNERS has acquired  AIROSMITH EFCG advised Consertus  April 2026	LITTLEJOHN & CO. partnered with  GGDS EFCG advised Littlejohn & Co.  March 2026	olsson has been acquired by Morgan Stanley CAPITAL PARTNERS EFCG served as the exclusive financial advisor to Olsson  December 2025	Blackstone has acquired  ALLIANCE TECHNICAL GROUP a portfolio company of Morgan Stanley CAPITAL PARTNERS EFCG served as co-advisor to Alliance Technical Group  December 2025	 Has divested its digital procurement platform to  bids&tenders to  VALSOFT EFCG provided advisory services to GHD  November 2025	 has acquired C20e EFCG provided advisory and valuation services to C2AE  November 2025	QUALUS A portfolio company of  NEW MOUNTAIN CAPITAL LLC acquired the North American Transmission & Distribution engineering business of wood. EFCG served as the financial advisor to Qualus  October 2025
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ABOUT EFCG'S CEO CONFERENCE

Each year, EFCG's CEO Conference brings together 250 AEC industry CEOs and Presidents for three days of conversation, peer insight, and strategic reflection. Held at the Union League Club of Chicago and Convene Willis Tower in Chicago, this invitation-only event is designed for CEOs who want to step out of daily operations and focus on what is next for the industry, their firms, and themselves as leaders.

Dates and Times

Wednesday, September 30th 3:30 pm – 8:00 pm CT
Thursday, October 1st 8:00 am – 8:30 pm CT
Friday, October 2nd 8:00 am – 12:00 pm CT

Dress Code

Business casual

Conference Venue Information

WEDNESDAY

[Union League Club of Chicago](#)
65 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, IL 60604

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

[Convene Willis Tower](#)
233 South Wacker Drive, 3rd Floor
Chicago, IL 60606

Travel to Airports

Chicago O'Hare International Airport:

Car: 45–60 minutes

Train (CTA Blue Line from O'Hare to Jackson): 50 minutes

Chicago Midway International Airport:

Car: 30 minutes

Train (CTA Orange Line from Midway to Quincy): 30 minutes

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All Times in Central Time

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm

Welcome Coffee for First-Time Attendees

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Welcome Remarks and Informational Session | Before the EFCG Industry Report: Getting to Know the Data Behind EFCG's AEC Analysis

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Event Registration and Small Group Receptions (by Firm Size)

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Welcome Reception and Dinner with Session 1 Fireside Chat: Leading When Nothing Stands Still: The CEO's Psychological Toolkit

Wednesday, September 30, 2026

8:00 am – 8:30 am

Breakfast and Networking

8:30 am – 10:00 am

Introductory Remarks and Session 2: AEC 2026: EFCG Industry Report and CEO Survey Findings

10:00 am – 10:30 am

Morning Coffee Social

10:30 am – 11:15 am

Session 3: The Markets and Moves: Reading the Industry and the Opportunities Ahead

11:25 am – 12:00 pm

Session 4: AI and IP: Who Owns the Mind of the Firm?

12:00 pm – 12:15 pm

CEO of the Year Announcement

12:15 pm – 1:00 pm

Lunch and Networking

1:00 pm – 2:05 pm

Session 5: Mergers & Acquisitions Trends + Mergers & Acquisitions in an Uncertain Market: Discipline and Strategy

2:20 pm – 3:05 pm

Session 6: Concurrent Breakout Sessions

3:20 pm – 4:25 pm

Session 7: Technology Trends in AEC + The CEO's AI Moment: Lead It or Lose Ground

6:00 pm – 8:30 pm

**Evening Reception and Dinner with Optional Willis Tower Skydeck Experience
Skydeck Access: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm**

Thursday, October 1, 2026

8:00 am – 8:30 am

Breakfast and Networking

8:30 am – 9:25 am

Opening Remarks and Session 8: Redefining Value: How Firms Are Changing What They Deliver and How

9:40 am – 10:25 am

Session 9: Concurrent Breakout Sessions

10:35 am – 11:25 am

Session 10: Five Generations: What's Really Motivating the Future Workforce

11:25 am – 11:30 am

Conference Closing Remarks

11:30 am – 12:00 pm

Farewell Lunch and Networking

All Times in Central Time

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm

7th Floor Foyer

4:00 pm – 4:15 pm

Tudor Room, 7th Floor

4:15 pm – 5:00 pm

Tudor Room, 7th Floor

5:00 pm

**President's Hall Foyer,
2nd Floor**

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

**Various Rooms,
8th Floor**

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

**President's Hall,
2nd Floor**

Wednesday, September 30, 2026

All events held at Union League Club of Chicago

Welcome Coffee for First-Time Attendees

It is our pleasure to welcome new attendees to our event each year. Join us for the official opening of the 2026 EFCG CEO Conference, a warm and engaging event created for first-time attendees. This casual gathering will set the tone for the days ahead, offering a chance to meet fellow attendees and connect with the EFCG team. Enjoy light refreshments and get oriented with the conference specifics and schedule.

Welcome Remarks

Informational Session | Before the EFCG Industry Report: Getting to Know the Data Behind EFCG's AEC Analysis (Great for First-Time Attendees)

On Thursday, October 1, EFCG will present its AEC Industry Overview, highlighting the major industry trends and opportunities ahead. Before Thursday's presentation, EFCG will host an informational session for first-time attendees and anyone looking to better understand the foundation behind the analysis. EFCG will share how it leverages over 8 million proprietary data points annually, from financial benchmarks to talent trends, to deliver strategic guidance to AEC firms. This session will offer a deep dive into the underlying data and methodology, so attendees arrive at Thursday's presentation ready to interpret and apply the findings to their own firm.

Presenter: Vishal Menon, EFCG Vice President, Strategy & Corporate Finance

Event Registration Begins

Small Group Receptions (by Firm Size)

The evening will start with a series of intimate receptions organized by firm size, giving attendees a chance to meet peers in a smaller, more personal setting before joining the full group of 250 CEOs for the Welcome Reception. The Union League Club of Chicago provides a beautiful backdrop, with art-filled rooms that make for a memorable beginning.

Welcome Reception and Dinner with Session 1 Fireside Chat: Leading When Nothing Stands Still: The CEO's Psychological Toolkit

Following the Small Group Receptions, all attendees will gather for drinks and conversation. Partway through the reception, two CEOs will take the stage for a candid 30-minute fireside conversation on something every leader knows firsthand: the weight of the CEO seat in a period of relentless change. They will speak to the change-management and leadership crises they have navigated, and to the opportunity to turn uncertainty into a step forward. This conversation will open the three-day event with an honest dialogue about what it takes to lead well when nothing stands still. Following the fireside chat, the evening will continue with time to enjoy a reception-style dinner with peers.

Moderator: Julie Hasiba, EFCG Managing Partner, Talent & Compensation

Panelists:

Ian L. Edwards, President & CEO, AtkinsRéalis
Jesse Kropelnicki, CEO, Verdantas

All Times in Central Time

8:00 am – 8:30 am
Franklin Gallery

8:30 am – 8:45 am
The Hall

8:45 am – 10:00 am
The Hall

10:00 am – 10:30 am
Franklin Gallery

10:30 am – 11:15 am
The Hall

11:15 am – 11:25 am
Franklin Gallery

11:25 am – 12:00 pm
The Hall

Thursday, October 1, 2026

All events held at Convene Willis Tower, 3rd floor unless otherwise noted

Breakfast and Networking

Introductory Remarks

Session 2: AEC 2026: EFCG Industry Report and CEO Survey Findings

Managing Partner Rebecca Zofnass will open the 2026 EFCG CEO Conference with insights from EFCG's AEC Industry Overview Report, developed from EFCG's extensive proprietary database of financial and business metrics. This presentation will feature the first look at 2025 industry performance and projections through 2027. Zofnass will present current performance benchmarks across revenues, margins, utilization, and other critical industry metrics alongside CEO survey findings on strategic priorities and the outlook for the year ahead.

Presenter: Rebecca Zofnass, EFCG Managing Partner, Strategy & Corporate Finance

Morning Coffee Social

Session 3: The Markets and Moves: Reading the Industry and the Opportunities Ahead

This opening panel discussion will bring influential AEC CEOs together to dig into the trends redefining the industry and reveal how those forces are shaping their firm strategies for the next one to two years. This session will frame the conversations to come throughout the conference, surfacing the most pressing challenges CEOs are wrestling with. Panelists will discuss how their firms are differentiating themselves and building for lasting success.

Moderator: Jessica Zofnass Barclay, EFCG Managing Partner, Mergers & Acquisitions

Panelists:

Mario Azar, Chair & CEO, Black & Veatch
Leslie Duke, President, Chair & CEO, Burns & McDonnell
Mark Fallon, Chair & CEO, APTIM
Mick Renshaw, CEO, Trilon Group

Refresh Break

Session 4: AI and IP: Who Owns the Mind of the Firm?

As AI takes hold in daily operations, firms' institutional knowledge is increasingly fed into systems whose ownership and data practices are not always well understood. Three innovative CEOs will examine what this means in practice: what counts as protectable IP, where AI creates new exposure, and how leaders can defend the knowledge they have built.

Moderator: Jay Margherio, EFCG Vice President, Technology & Innovation

Panelists:

Bob Hughes, President & CEO, Deltek
Chris Hunter, CEO, Americas Region, GHD
Mindy Shimanek, President & CEO, Consor

All Times in Central Time

12:00 pm – 12:15 pm

The Hall

CEO of the Year Announcement

EFCG will recognize the 2026 EFCG CEO of the Year in a special presentation before lunch. Each year, this award recognizes an individual for their outstanding leadership, commitment to advancing the AEC industry, and impact on their firm, colleagues, and community.

12:15 pm – 1:00 pm

Franklin Gallery

Lunch and Networking

1:00 pm – 1:20 pm

The Hall

Session 5 – Part 1: Mergers & Acquisitions Trends

Managing Partner Jessica Zofnass Barclay will open this two-part session with an overview of the latest mergers & acquisitions (M&A) multiples and trends, drawing from EFCG's comprehensive proprietary database to shed light on the forces driving major market shifts.

Presenter: Jessica Zofnass Barclay, EFCG Managing Partner, Mergers & Acquisitions

1:20 pm – 2:05 pm

The Hall

Session 5 – Part 2: Mergers & Acquisitions in an Uncertain Market: Discipline and Strategy

In a market where interest rates, geopolitical uncertainty, and shifting valuations are complicating every deal, the firms with acquisition discipline and strategy are pulling ahead. Panelists will discuss how they are approaching M&A right now. They will focus on what they are actively pursuing, what has given them pause, and how uncertainty is reshaping the way they think about growth through acquisition.

Moderator: Jessica Zofnass Barclay, EFCG Managing Partner, Mergers & Acquisitions

Panelists:

Ernesto Aguilar, President & CEO, Ardurra

Kurt Bergman, President & CEO, PRIME AE Group

Sarah Foster, President, Olsson

Hisham Mahmoud, Chairman, Consor, Commonwealth, RRC, SAM, Jensen Hughes

2:05 pm – 2:20 pm

Franklin Gallery

Refresh Break

2:20 pm – 3:05 pm

Adams Studio

Session 6: Concurrent Breakout Sessions (more on next page)

6A: Don't Swim Naked: Risk and Insurance Principles for Your Next Deal

This session will address principles and best practices to: (a) prevent both gaps and overlap in insurance coverage to minimize uninsurable loss and maximize efficiency/savings; (b) highlight pitfalls and red flags in an acquiree's risk-management program and/or overall operations so you comprehensively understand the deal's Total Cost of Risk; and (c) describe transaction-specific insurance products to protect both buyer and seller.

Presenters: EPIC Insurance Brokers & Consultants, Construction & Design Group (formerly Greyling)

Ross Bundschuh, JD, Vice President

Roger Guilian, JD, Senior Vice President

Kriton Pantelidis, Principal

All Times in Central Time

2:20 pm – 3:05 pm

The Forum

Thursday, October 1, 2026

All events held at Convene Willis Tower, 3rd floor unless otherwise noted

Session 6: Concurrent Breakout Sessions (continued)

6B: Inside the Boardroom: Assessing Board Structure, Engagement, and Effectiveness

As the AEC industry evolves, more firms are establishing boards and reshaping their board's design. EFCG will share key findings from its latest proprietary survey on board composition, engagement models, and governance practices, then walk through a case study that brings those patterns to life. A panelist will join to discuss how their own board is designed and how they maintain a productive relationship between the executive team and the board. The session will close with an interactive discussion where participants can put questions to EFCG, the panelist, and each other. Together they'll explore how their own boards are evolving and what has worked best in building strong partnerships between firm leadership and the board.

Presenter and Moderator: Julie Hasiba, EFCG Managing Partner, Talent & Compensation

Panelist:

Steve Metzger, CEO, LaBella Associates

3:05 pm – 3:20 pm

Franklin Gallery

Refresh Break

3:20 pm – 3:40 pm

The Hall

Session 7 – Part 1: Technology Trends in AEC

AI is no longer an IT question. It is a leadership decision with firmwide implications. EFCG Partner Marcus Quigley will present benchmarking data on technology investment, AI adoption maturity, and digital capability gaps across the AEC industry. Quigley will highlight what is separating firms that are moving with intention from those still running pilots.

Presenter: Marcus Quigley, EFCG Partner, Technology & Innovation

3:40 pm – 4:25 pm

The Hall

Session 7 – Part 2: The CEO's AI Moment: Lead It or Lose Ground

Four forward-thinking CEOs will share how they are creating opportunity by driving high-impact technology and AI adoption at their firms. They'll talk through the organizational changes they've made, the investments they've committed to, the resistance they've encountered, and what they believe will separate the firms that capture the potential of AI and new tech from those that fall behind.

Moderator: Marcus Quigley, EFCG Partner, Technology & Innovation

Panelists:

Javier A. Baldor, CEO, BST Global

Jacque Hinman, CEO, Atlas Technical Consultants

Doug Jaeger, President & CEO, Ulteig

Susan Reisbord, President & CEO, Stantec

All Times in Central Time

6:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Willis Tower 99th Floor



Thursday, October 1, 2026

All events held at Convene Willis Tower, 3rd floor unless otherwise noted

Evening Reception and Dinner with Optional Willis Tower Skydeck Experience

The evening will begin with a reception on the 99th floor, where guests will have the option to experience The Ledge on the 103rd floor of Willis Tower. Standing 1,353 feet above the city, the Skydeck's iconic Ledge, a set of all-glass balconies extending beyond the building's edge, places visitors in mid-air above the streets below, with views reaching up to 50 miles across Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, and Michigan.

Optional "The Ledge" Visiting Time: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Guests can visit The Ledge at any point during this window of time.

Following the reception, the evening continues with dinner and drinks on the 99th floor, where sweeping skyline views and panoramic sight lines of Lake Michigan and the Chicago River provide a memorable close to the day in one of Chicago's most distinctive settings.

Friday, October 2, 2026

All events held at Convene Willis Tower, 3rd floor unless otherwise noted

8:00 am – 8:30 am

Franklin Gallery

8:30 am – 8:45 am

The Hall

8:45 am – 9:25 am

The Hall

Breakfast and Networking

Opening Remarks

Session 8: Redefining Value: How Firms Are Changing What They Deliver and How

Automation is forcing a fundamental question in AEC: if technology changes how work gets done, how does it change the value of what's being delivered? Four CEOs will share how they are reinforcing, or even redefining, their firm's value proposition. From moving up the value chain to shifting delivery models, these firms are making the internal and external case for why their expertise commands a new premium, and who pays for that premium.

Moderator: Emma Orr, EFCG Vice President, Strategy & Corporate Finance

Panelists:

Rodney Chester, CEO & Board Chair, Gresham Smith
 Laurent Germain, CEO, Egis
 Kevin Haney, President & CEO, Colliers Engineering & Design
 Andra Kidd, CEO, Spheros Environmental

Refresh Break

9:25 am – 9:40 am

Franklin Gallery

All Times in Central Time

9:40 am – 10:25 am

Forum North

Forum South

10:25 am – 10:35 am

Franklin Gallery

10:35 am – 11:25 am

The Hall

11:25 am – 11:30 am

The Hall

11:30 am – 12:00 pm

Franklin Gallery

Friday, October 2, 2026

All events held at Convene Willis Tower, 3rd floor unless otherwise noted

Session 9: Concurrent Breakout Sessions

9A: The CEO Succession Journey

This year's CEO Conference continues last year's candid conversation on succession with two new firms and four new perspectives. Kimley-Horn and Carollo will each bring both their outgoing and incoming CEOs together as they reflect on their own transition experience, offering a rare window into what succession looks and feels like. Structured as an intimate panel discussion with time for audience questions, this session will invite open dialogue about the CEO succession process, from building trust and preparing the firm to stepping into the role with clarity and confidence.

Moderator: Julie Hasiba, EFCG Managing Partner, Talent & Compensation

Panelists:

Steve Lefton, Executive Chair, Kimley-Horn

Brent Mutti, President & CEO, Kimley-Horn

B. Narayanan, President & CEO, Carollo Engineers

Anne Prudhel, Executive Vice President, Carollo Engineers

9B: Beyond the Org Chart: Designing the Organization that Strategy Requires

When done well, organizational design can improve processes, strengthen collaboration and cross-selling, and help enable a firm to achieve its strategic priorities. As new trends and market dynamics shape the industry, the question of how firms should be organized to set themselves up for success is increasingly top of mind for leadership teams. During this breakout, EFCG Vice President Vishal Menon will discuss how firms can approach organizational design and highlight the key considerations for building a structure that supports their strategy.

Presenter: Vishal Menon, EFCG Vice President, Strategy & Corporate Finance

Refresh Break

Session 10: Five Generations: What's Really Motivating the Future Workforce

Workforce expectations are shifting faster than most firms are adapting. EFCG Managing Partner Julie Hasiba will share proprietary data on how generational preferences are evolving, how firms are differentiating their employee experience, and where the most meaningful investments in people are headed. CEOs will then join the conversation to share how they are adapting their people strategy while still driving high performance across a multigenerational workforce.

Presenter and Moderator: Julie Hasiba, EFCG Managing Partner, Talent & Compensation

Panelists:

Karl Miller, CEO, Jingoli Power

Joe Monaco, CEO, Dudek

Alan Stone, President, Hazen and Sawyer

Conference Closing Remarks

Farewell Lunch and Networking

Share a meal with fellow attendees and exchange information before the close of this year's event. We look forward to seeing you at our 2027 EFCG CEO Conference!

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Aba | Mediterranean

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