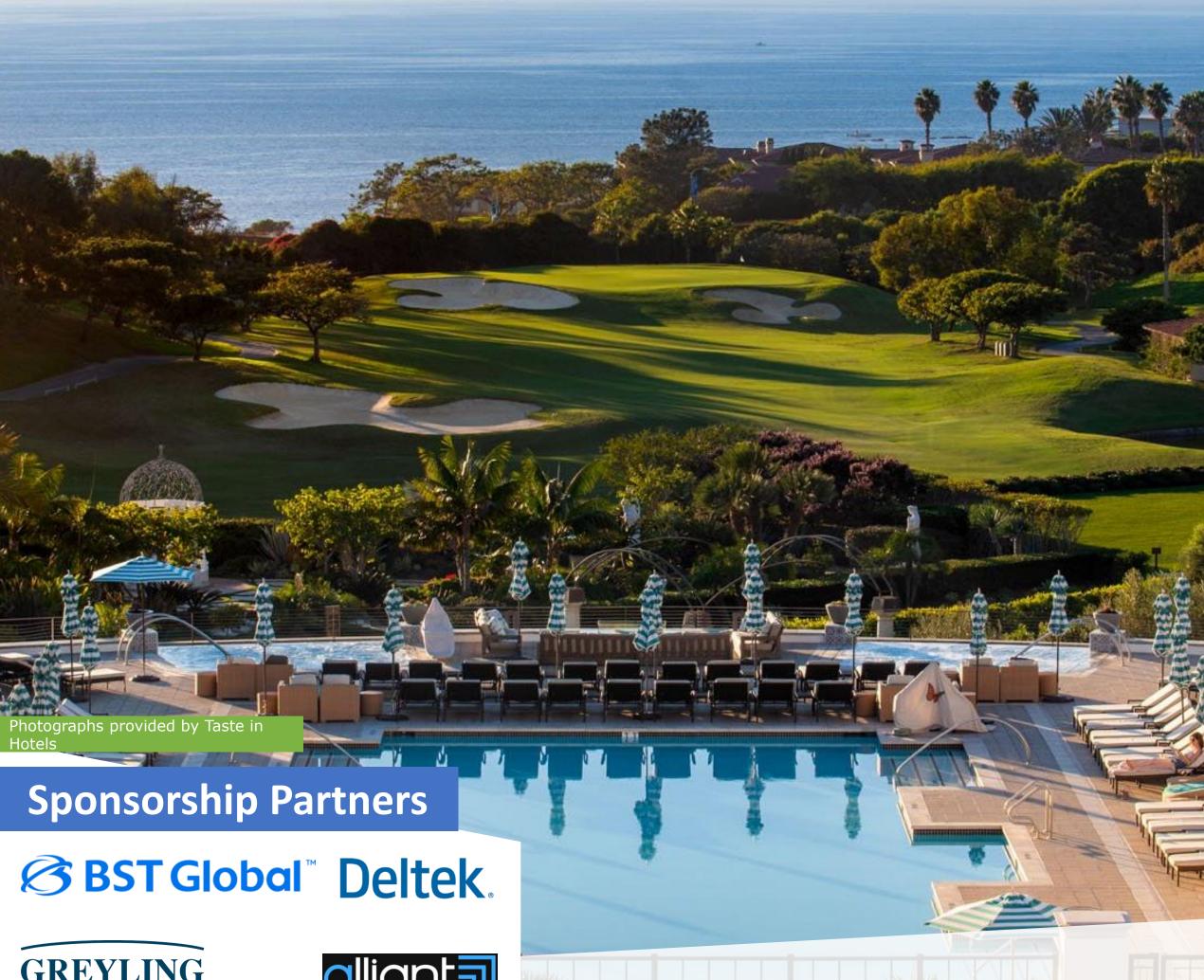


# 2025 CEO Conference

For the Architecture, Engineering, and Consulting (AEC) Industry















Preliminary Agenda September 29 - October 1





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September 29-October 1, 2025



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For 35+ years and counting, we have served as a retained advisor to 550+ firms, developed the most extensive proprietary database of financial and business metrics from our clients, held more than 100 executive conferences, and advised on 240+ M&A transactions. The relationships we have formed with the executive teams at every major AEC firm make us the most trusted advisor.

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- Strategic Planning
- Corporate Financial Benchmarking
- Valuations
- Talent & Compensation
- Technology & Innovation
- Sustainability & ESG



- Sell- & Buy-Side Assignments
- Capital Structure Analysis
- Corporate Divestitures & Tech Spinouts
- Strategic & Private Equity Partner Engagement
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- 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 the most comprehensive proprietary database in the industry

Annual Surveys

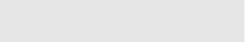
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EFCG will welcome over 250 CEOs to this premier, invitation-only event, designed to tackle the industry's most significant financial and strategic challenges. As the most comprehensive AEC Industry CEO Conference, this event leverages EFCG's exclusive 2025 CEO Survey and over 35 years of proprietary industry data to provide unparalleled insights and guidance on trends. All attendees receive EFCG's 2025 AEC Industry Report.

Come to hear the AEC Industry's reported 2024 performance, 2025 expectations, and 2026 projections. Stay to connect with experts and thought leaders as over 40 speakers cover today's most pressing topics. Walk away with a CEO network gained throughout 20+ events and sessions.





Perched atop a 150-foot seaside bluff, this resort offers the perfect blend of Southern California's laidback luxury and sincere service.

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#### **Dates & Times**

Monday, September 29, 2:00 pm - 8:00 pm PT Tuesday, September 30, 8:00 am - 8:30 pm PT Wednesday, October 1, 8:00 am - 5:30 pm PT

# **Hotel & Conference Venue Information Waldorf Astoria Monarch Beach Resort & Club**

1 Monarch Beach Resort Dana Point, California

The entirety of the 2025 CEO Conference will be held at The Waldorf Astoria Monarch Beach Resort & Club, an award-winning resort offering premier concierge services, luxurious amenities, and world-class dining. During the free time built into the event agenda, we encourage you to enjoy the many amenities the resort has to offer.

Booking links with preferred rates will be provided as available with your conference confirmation email.

#### **Drive to/from Airports**

Orange County John Wayne (SNA): 20 miles, Approximately 30 minutes Long Beach Airport (LGB): 41 miles, Approximately 45 minutes Los Angeles International Airport (LAX): 61 miles, Approximately 80 minutes

#### **Dress Code**

**Business** casual

#### **Photography & Press**

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#### (All Times in Pacific Time)

3:15 pm - 4:10 pm

9:30 am - 9:45 am

9:45 am - 10:20 am

10:30 am - 11:00 am

11:15 am - 12:00 pm

1:15 pm - 5:00 pm

#### Monday, September 29, 2025

optional Welcome Activities: Guided Beach Hiking Excursion or Beac	h
nstructor-Led Meditation	
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3:30 pm - 4:00 pm First-Timer Welcome Event

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Workshop: A Data Deep-Dive: Getting to Know the Data Behind EFCG's

**AEC Industry Overview (Great for First-Time Attendees)** 

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Women in Leadership Event

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Conference Welcome Reception & Dinner

## **Tuesday, September 30, 2025**

8:00 am - 8:30 am Breakfast Meet-and-Greet

8:30 am - 10:00 am Session 1: EFCG AEC Industry Overview

10:00 am - 10:30 am Morning Coffee Social

10:30 am - 11:15 am Session 2: CEO Reactions: Industry Leaders on Today's Trends

11:30 am - 12:15 pm Lunch & CEO of the Year Announcement

12:15 pm - 1:00 pm Session 3: AEC 2035: CEO Visions for the Industry's Future

1:15 pm - 2:00 pm Session 4: Breakout Sessions

4A: The Rise of the AI-Powered + Data-Driven "Superconsultancy"

4B: Getting the Most Out of Your In-House Legal & Risk Management Team

4C: Leading Growth Through Employee-Ownership

4D: AEC Sustainability Reimagined: Strategy, Value, & Resilience

2:10 pm - 3:00 pm Session 5: AI, Talent, and the Future of Work in AEC

**Session 6: Defining Moments: Lessons Learned from the Top** 

4:10 pm - 6:30 pm Free Time to Enjoy Resort Amenities

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Evening Networking Reception & Dinner

# Wednesday, October 1, 2025

8:00 am - 8:30 am Breakfast Reconnect & Continuing the Conversation

8:30 am - 9:30 am Session 7: Strategic M&A Trends and Pivotal Deals

Morning Coffee Social

**Session 8: Succession by Design: CEO Transition Strategies** 

Session 9: Driving Employee Commitment Through Culture and Impact

**Session 10: Breakout Sessions** 

10A: Investing for Growth: Back Office Strategy for Smaller Firms

10B: Elevating Your Firm's Board Partnership

10C: Practical Applications of AI

12:20 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch & Session 11: The US Administration's Impact on AEC Industry

Lunch & Free Time to Enjoy Optional Activities & Golf

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