



Speaker Benefits

In organic certification, proof is everything: the documentation, the audit trail, the inspection findings that confirm an operation is what it claims to be. Risk-based certification doesn't lower the standard; it sharpens it. We're not checking less. We're checking smarter, putting our energy where the proof is needed most.

Become a speaker at the ACA conference and show that the standard has always been PROOF.



Recognition

As a speaker, you are recognized as an expert in your field. Sharing your knowledge supports your colleagues, your professional growth, and the ACA mission of consistency and collaboration in certification.



Networking

As a speaker at the PROOF conference, you will have the chance to connect with industry peers, present your distinct insights, and receive interactive feedback.



Access

Session creators and panelists snag a discounted ticket to the ACA conference, along with access to special networking opportunities that connect them with industry leaders.



Speaker Happy Hour

Speakers score an invite to the exclusive Speakers & Sponsors happy hour. Connect with fellow speakers, conference sponsors, and the ACA Board of Directors.

2026 Host Speaker Benefits



Host Speaker Responsibilities

The Host Speaker is the leader responsible for the presentation and is the main speaker in the session. This person will be the primary contact for ACA regarding this session. If you plan to have a co-presenter who contributes equally to the time and material needed to prepare this session, both of you are eligible to be host speakers. However, ACA will still need one of you to function as a primary point of contact.

The Host Speaker is responsible for:

- Communicating with the ACA on your guest speaker/panelist names and emails.
- Reading over materials and joining working sessions with the ACA to support creating an exceptional presentation.
- Coordinating with your guest speakers and panelists on seminar content, availability, logistics, etc.
- Connecting with your ACA representative regarding any services needed during your session.
- Creating a compelling presentation that holds the audience's attention, sparks conversation, and leaves attendees knowing more about the topic.
- Coordinating the presentation and keeping the session on time.

Host Speaker Benefits

There are so many reasons to present at the ACA Conference!

- \$100 conference ticket discount.
- Free speaker prep session to ensure you shine in front of your peers.
- Ticket to the exclusive Speakers and Sponsors Happy Hour with keynote speaker Bob Quinn, the ACA Board, and conference sponsors.
- Opportunity to have your presentation featured on acaDEMY, ACA's online learning platform.
- Maximum networking potential! There's no better way to network than by putting your name and face in front of the room.
- Speaker spotlight feature on ACA's LinkedIn, conference platform, and newsletter.
- A professional headshot taken at the conference that you can use anywhere.
- Premium speaker swag!



2026 Guest Speaker/Panelist Benefits



Guest Speaker/Panelist Responsibilities

A guest speaker or panelist is a person who is asked to contribute to a session and is not the primary point of contact for the ACA. If you were invited to join a session by a Host Speaker, you are a guest speaker or panelist.

Panelists and guest speakers providing reports on behalf of a board, like NOSB, or any other organization that operates independently of ACA, are eligible to receive a discounted conference ticket rate for their participation.

While they are not considered Host Speakers, this discount recognizes their participation and the relevance of their contributions, especially when the session content aligns with and supports the work of their home organization.

Benefits

As a guest speaker or panelist at the conference, you are eligible to receive the following benefits:

- Discounted conference ticket.
 - \$50 off per unique topic (up to 3)
- Maximum networking potential! There's no better way to network than by putting your name and face in front of the room.
- Spotlight as a speaker on ACA's conference platform.

