

# SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



#### ESTABLISHING BRAND AWARENESS AND FACILITATING RELATIONSHIPS WITH NEW ENGLAND'S MIDDLE-MARKET M&A COMMUNITY

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#### **ABOUT ACG BOSTON**



At ACG Boston, we pride ourselves on our commitment to providing our sponsors with a concierge sponsorship experience. We treat every sponsor as a unique partner, and we work with them to identify their marketing needs, recommend the best channel to meet those needs, and then determine what else we can do to exceed their expectations. By taking the time to truly understand our sponsor partners' marketing objectives, we are better able to make recommendations as unique opportunities become available. Be it a hosting opportunity for a new event, a speaking role that highlights the firms expertise, or something as simple as a referral, our goal of over-delivering is our driving force. OVER 35 YEARS OF HELPING DEAL PROFESSIONALS FOSTER TRUSTED NETWORKS IN THE NEW ENGLAND MIDDLE-MARKET M&A COMMUNITY.



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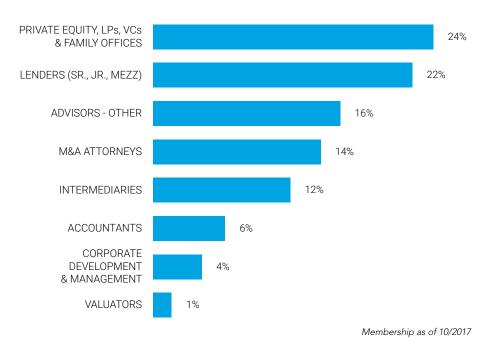
Our audience represents every segment of the deal:



Sponsorship at the local chapter level allows firms to leverage ACG Boston's targeted network, establish a strong presence in the community and build mutually beneficial relationships that can lead to valuable new business opportunities.

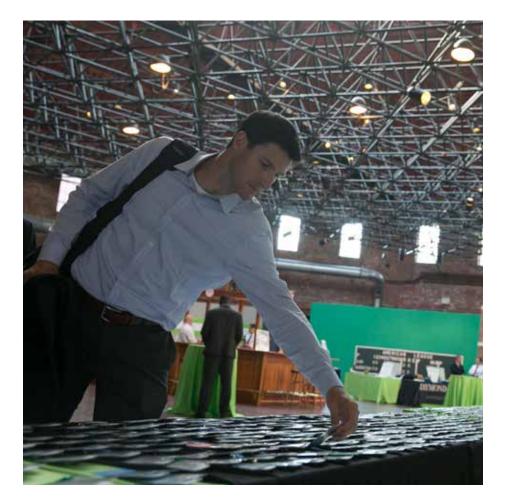


OVER 500 MEMBERS 3000 ANNUAL EVENT ATTENDEES



# **ACG BOSTON EVENT SERIES**

ACG Boston events are designed to provide educational and networking opportunities to deal professionals directly involved in sourcing, financing or executing M&A transactions. Our event attendees have more opportunities to meet other dealmakers in the New England area and build the kinds of relationships that matter most.



**Networking Breakfasts & Nights** - the signature ACG Boston events that bring together attendees for bi-monthly speaker breakfasts and evening networking.

**Deal Hunters Events** - a series of networking events geared toward young and midlevel professionals who are directly involved in M&A transactions.

**Women's Connection Events** - a series of networking and speaker events connecting women in New England's M&A community.

**The BIG Deal** - an annual, invitation- and members-only networking reception for 200+ senior-level investment bankers, private equity investors and corporate development professionals.

**ACCELERATOR** - a three day leadership development program for rising leaders in the M&A community to develop the skills needed to be strong future leaders, and jump start the growth of their networks of M&A peers.



**M&A Outlook Conference** - a half-day event featuring industry experts who examine today's M&A market with a focus on where the dealmaking is likely to be hottest in the future.

**ACG New England Fall Conference** - a two day event co-hosted by ACG Boston & ACG Connecticut in Newport, RI, bringing together over 130 M&A professionals from across New England for industry updates & intimate networking after the summer.

**DealFest Northeast** - a two-day event that includes DealFest, the largest M&A beer tasting in the Northeast, and DealSource Select, a day of meetings for select capital providers, investment bankers and corporate development professionals.

**ACG Northeast Dealmaking at the Mountain** - an annual three-day conference cohosted by ACG's northeast chapters at the exclusive Hermitage Club in Vermont that provides more intimate networking on and off the slopes.

#### **ANNUAL SPONSORSHIP**

Maximum exposure to the ACG Boston audience over the course of the year (January to December). Annual sponsors receive prominent recognition on our website and social media, in marketing materials, and at our Networking Breakfasts and Networking Nights, which attract 100+ deal professionals each month. *Industry exclusive. Limit 5 total annual sponsors.* 

	BENEFITS	ANNUAL
	Seat on Networking Breakfast planning committee	•
	Logo & link in 45 email blasts sent to 8000+ recipients (~360,000+ emails in total)	•
	Logo & link on homepage and event pages	•
ANNUAL EXPOSURE	Social media mentions	4
(JANUARY - DECEMBER)	Article (press release, thought leadership piece, article, etc.) in ACG Boston News & Trends section of website	1
	1 year membership	1
	Member rate to events for all firm employees*	•
	Sponsorship of C-Series Breakfast & Networking Night series (5 breakfasts & 4 networking events):	•
	- Personal Sponsor Concierge: senior leadership member assigned to sponsor firm to facilitate introductions in ACG community & help firm maximize overall sponsor value	●
	- Logo on signage & multimedia screens	•
ONSITE RECOGNITION	- Event tickets for firm	2 / event
& VIP CONNECTIONS	- VIP speaker access (breakfasts)	•
	- Attendee list with contact info	•
	Featured C-Series Breakfast Sponsor (1 per year):	•
	- Separate space for marketing materials	•
	- Exclusive recognition in event handout (logo, company description, contact info)	•
	- Opportunity to address the audience / intro speaker	•
ADDITIONAL ACCESS	Negotiable rate for additional sponsorships	•
ANNUAL PRICING		\$15,000

\* Does not include by-invitation-only events organization would not normally be qualified to attend.

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### **EXCLUSIVE MEMBERS-ONLY EVENT**

**The BIG Deal (January 16, 2018)** - ACG Boston's most exclusive event, The BIG Deal is an annual invitation- and membersonly networking reception for senior-level investment bankers, family offices, private equity investors and corporate development professionals. Event sponsors have exclusive category access to this event, which draws 200+ attendees annually.

BENEFITS		LEVEL	
		PREMIUM	SPONSOR
	Right of first refusal for the subsequent year's event sponsorship renewal	•	
	Industry exclusivity as event sponsor	Ð	•
PRE-EVENT EXPOSURE	Logo & link in email blasts to 700+ recipients	Prominent Logo	•
	Logo & link on event page	Prominent Logo	•
	Social media mentions	2	2
	Dedicated space for marketing materials	Prominent Location	•
ONSITE RECOGNITION & VIP CONNECTIONS	Logo on signage	Prominent Logo	•
	Event tickets for firm	6	4
POST-EVENT ACCESS	Attendee list with contact info	•	•
PRICING		\$7,000	\$5,500

Premium Package is a limited time offer: Premium Package pre-sale begins (October 20, 2017) and expires 2 weeks after sales opening date. Available on a firstcome, first-serve basis. Sponsorship Package goes on sale once Premium Package pre-sale period expires (on November 3, 2017). Available on a first-come, firstserve basis. If Premium Package is already sold within industry category, Sponsorship Package will no longer be available for that industry.

### **REGIONAL WINTER EVENT**

ACG Northeast Dealmaking at the Mountain (January 28-30, 2018 | The Hermitage Club, VT) - an annual regional event with 120+ attendees from ACG Boston, New York, Connecticut, New Jersey & Philadelphia at the Hermitage Club in Wilmington, Vermont.

BENEFITS		LEVEL				
		PE/IB 1:1 MEETINGS (INDUSTRY EXCL.)	EXTREME NASTAR (INDUSTRY EXCL.)	BLACK DIAMOND	SUPPORTING	ACTIVITY (ONLY AVAIL. AS ADD-ON)
	Logo & link in email blasts to 10,000+ recipients across 5 ACG chapters	•	•	•	•	
PRE-EVENT EXPOSURE	Logo & link on ACG Boston & ACG New York event pages	•	•	•	•	
	Social media mentions	•	•	•	•	Courses (course
	Exhibitor table to display marketing materials or branded giveaway	•	•	•		Sponsor of non- skiing activity of your choice (snow mobile tours, snow shoeing tour, onsite ski waxing/ sharpening etc.). Invite select attendees of your choice to join you in an organized winter activity. Only available as add-on to other sponsor level.
	Logo on signage, print materials & multimedia screens onsite	•	•	•	•	
	Brief speaking opportunity		•			
ONSITE RECOGNITION	Complimentary passes to event, incl. lift tickets (lodging not included)	2 (\$1,000 value!)	2 (\$1,000 value!)	1 (\$500 value!)	1 (\$500 value!)	
& VIP CONNECTIONS	Extreme NASTAR sponsorship includes: signage/branding at race & opportunity to announce winners of race & award grand prize		•			
	Activity sponsorship includes: signage/branding at activity & opportunity to provide activity to attendees					
	PE/IB Meetings sponsorship includes: exclusive sponsor of invite only PE/IB 1:1 meetings, signage/branding in room & opportunity to participate in meetings w/ PEs & IBs on Monday	•				
POST-EVENT ACCESS	Attendee list with contact info	•	•	•		
PRICING		\$3,500	\$3,000 + PURCHASE OF NASTAR GRAND PRIZE	\$2,000	\$1,000	ACTIVITY COST RESPONSIBILITY OF SPONSOR

#### **NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE**

**ACG New England Fall Conference (September 2018 | Newport, RI)** - an annual regional event hosted by ACG Boston and ACG Connecticut in Newport, RI, featuring a traditional New England clambake, exclusive events and more, with 120+ attendees.

BENEFITS		LEVEL			
		SILVER	GOLD	CLAMBAKE SPONSOR	PE/IB/FAMILY OFFICE INVITATION ONLY BREAKFAST SPONSOR
	Logo & link in all pre-event marketing materials & emails (both ACG Boston & ACG Connecticut)	•	•	•	•
	Tickets to the conference	1	2	2	2 (includes access to VIP breakfast for 2)
EVENT EXPOSURE	Signage onsite	•	•	• (at clambake)	• (and at VIP breakfast)
	Logo in onsite multimedia screens	•	•	•	•
	Marketing table onsite		•	• (at clambake)	•
	Opportunity for giveaway item or branded item		•	• (at clambake)	• (at breakfast)
	Attendee list with contact information	•	•	•	•
	Industry exclusivity			•	• (as VIP breakfast sponsor, co- hosted with ACG Boston)
PRICING		\$1,500	\$2,500	\$3,500	\$3,500

#### LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

**ACCELERATOR Program (August 1-3, 2018 | Portsmouth, NH)** - ACCELERATOR is a three day leadership development program for rising leaders in the M&A community to develop the skills needed to be strong future leaders, and jump start the growth of their networks of M&A peers. Participants must be nominated by a senior-level member of their firm or the M&A community.

	ANNUAL	
	Logo on website, in email marketing, and onsite in signage, program & multimedia screens	•
	Opportunity to provide giveaway item / hotel welcome bag to participants	•
	Includes 1 spot for qualified candidate to participate in the program (\$975 value)	•
EVENT EXPOSURE	Opportunity to have company representative address participants at welcome dinner	•
	Work with planning committee to develop curriculum & recruit speakers (senior-level professional from firm can be considered as possible speaker, subject to committee approval)	•
	Attendee list with contact information	•
	Sponsor industry exclusivity	•
PRICING		\$2,500

### **ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

**M&A Outlook Conference (March 7, 2018 | The UMass Club)** - The M&A Outlook Conference is a half-day event featuring industry experts who examine today's M&A market, how the current economic climate is affecting dealmaking, and where the deals will be coming from in the future.

BENEFITS		LEVEL	
		PRESENTING	SUPPORTING
	Industry exclusivity at sponsor level	•	
PRE-EVENT	Seat on planning committee to help shape content	•	
EXPOSURE	Name or logo & link in email marketing, event page & social media	•	•
	Article or ad on ACG Boston website	1	
	Opportunity to briefly mention firm on stage & introduce a speaker	•	
ONSITE RECOGNITION	Dedicated space for marketing materials onsite	Prominent	•
& VIP CONNECTIONS	Company profile in onsite handout	•	
	Complimentary conference tickets	6	3
POST-EVENT ACCESS	Attendee list with contact information in excel format	●	•
PRICING		\$6,500	\$3,500

### **TARGETED EVENT SERIES**

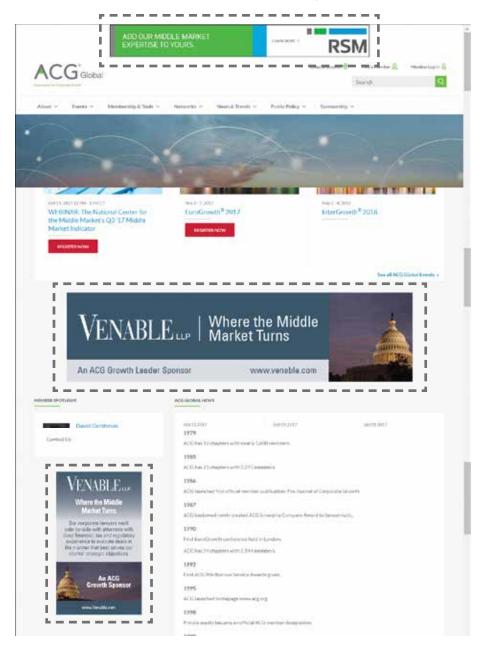
**Deal Hunters** - an event series for young and mid-level professionals offering 4 events throughout the year. Draws 40-100 attendees, depending on format.

**Women's Connection** - a networking and speaker event series connecting the women in New England's middle-market M&A community.

BENEFITS		DEAL HUNTERS SERIES SPONSOR	WOMEN'S CONNECTION EVENT SPONSOR
	Seat on planning committee	•	•
PRE-EVENT	Logo & link in email blasts (DH: 1000+ recipients / WC: 700+)	•	•
EXPOSURE	Logo & link on event page	•	•
	Social media mentions	4	2
	Dedicated space for marketing materials / or opportunity for giveaway item	•	•
	Logo on signage	•	•
	Event tickets for firm	2	2
ONSITE RECOGNITION	1 year membership for a young professional at firm	1	n/a
& VIP CONNECTIONS	Tickets to other ACG Boston events for firm's young professionals	4	n/a
	Brief opportunity to address audience	n/a	When Hosting
	Sponsor of ACCELERATOR Program	•	n/a
	Category exclusivity	•	•
POST-EVENT ACCESS	Attendee list with contact info	•	•
PRICING	1 YEAR	\$7,500	HOST IN SPACE AND/OR COVER FOOD & BEVERAGE COSTS

### **DIGITAL ADVERTISING**

Leverage your brand and enhance your exposure to New England's middle-market M&A community by advertising digitally across ACG Boston's website, emails and social media platforms.



#### WEBSITE (WWW.ACGBOSTON.ORG)

	Ad: Billboard - 970x250 Displays in middle of homepage & middle of all section overview pages	\$350/month
	Ad: Leaderboard - 728x90 Displays at the top of every page of the website	\$300/month
	Ad: Skyscraper - 240x400 Displays below the left navigation on interior pages	\$250/month
NE	WS & TRENDS SECTION	
	Article Post Includes posts on Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn	\$750/article
LIN	IKEDIN GROUP	
	Article Post Includes posts on Twitter & Facebook	\$450/post



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DealFest Northeast is the largest M&A block party in the northeast, bringing together **over 600 middle-market deal professionals** — capital providers, intermediaries, transaction advisors and strategics — from all over the country to network, discover new partners, and identify untapped sources of dealflow.

#### Download the DealFest Northeast 2018 Sponsorship Brochure at:

https://www.acg.org/boston/events/acg-boston-dealfest-northeast-2018/sponsors