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Wisconsin Fast Forward Grants

A total of \$8 million in grant funds is available to support innovative and collaborative employer-led training solutions to benefit skilled and semi-skilled job seekers and incumbent workers. The [Wisconsin Fast Forward](#) grant program is administered by the Department of Workforce Development's new Office of Skills Development (OSD). Grant applicants can be a single business, a consortium of businesses, or employers in partnership with local workforce and/or economic development organizations. Agriculture businesses have until October 21, 2014 to apply. [Read more here.](#)

Update: 2014 U.S Global Soy Trade Exchange

Earlier in September, eight Wisconsin companies took advantage of the opportunity to connect with hundreds of buyers from around the world. The food/feed companies participating in the Wisconsin Pavilion on the trade show floor of the 2014 US Global Soy Conference represented the diversity of Wisconsin agriculture and included ginseng, livestock feed, and oilseeds. A special reception ensured that participants had an opportunity to sample Wisconsin foods, to network with the exhibitors and to gain an understanding of the market potential of the products being exhibited. The Pavilion was sponsored by the Wisconsin Soybean Marketing Board in partnership with the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection's (DATCP's) International Trade Team.

To learn about upcoming events that the Trade Team manages, go to http://datcp.wi.gov/Business/Exports/Calendar_of_Events.

Upcoming Events

[Food Export Seminar: 2015 - What's happening?](#)

Join us for a full day of exporting education topics! From discussions on developing export readiness skills to export documentation and navigating free trade agreements, don't miss this opportunity to increase your knowledge to become a more competitive exporter.

Date: October 30, 2014 / 8:00am-4:30pm

Venue: Waukesha County Technical College, 800
Main Street, Pewaukee

Cost: \$50

Contact: Lisa Stout at 608-224-5126 or via email at lisa.stout@wi.gov. For more information and to register, [click here](#).



[Export Compliance - From the Basics and Beyond](#)

Join MITA and hear about the steps you need to take in order to protect your firm's export privileges, reputation, and bottom line. Learn from experts who live the challenge daily, including enforcement, compliance risk management, and logistics. Register [here](#). This program will be headlined by Alloca Enterprises' CEO and expert in Export-Import Compliance Training, Mike Allocca.

When: October 14, 2014 / 11:30am - 4:30pm

Where: Fluno Center, 601 University Ave, Madison, WI 53715

Cost: \$135