



## Agenda

August 12, 2025 • 12:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Registration**

**1:00 – 1:25 p.m. Expo Kickoff: Speaker Series**

**David Spalding**

VP of Economic Development and Industry Relations, Iowa State University

**Congressman Randy Feenstra**

Iowa's 4th Congressional District

**Senator Joni Ernst**

Chair, U.S. Senate Committee on Small Business & Entrepreneurship

**1:25 – 2:05 p.m. A Conversation on Made in America Manufacturing**

**Hon. Kelly Loeffler**

Administrator, U.S. Small Business Administration

**Hon. Lee Zeldin**

Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

**Lisa Shimkat**

Associate Administrator, U.S. Small Business Administration, Field Operations

**Senator Joni Ernst**

**2:05 – 2:15 p.m. Insights from the International Trade Administration: America First Exports and Investments**

**Bradley McKinney**

Deputy Assistant Secretary, U.S. Commercial Service,  
Department of Commerce

**2:15 – 2:45 p.m. Upgrading the Arsenal: Building a 21st Century Defense Ecosystem**

**Shyam Sankar**

Chief Technology Officer, Palantir Technologies

**Andrew Van Fleet**

Managing Partner, Visual Logic

**Senator Joni Ernst**

**2:45 – 4:30 p.m. Networking Opportunity with Exhibitors**

Connect with federal agencies, state resource partners,  
and private industry.

**3:15 – 3:45 p.m. Meet the Directors: Research & Development Funding for America's Innovators**

**3:50 – 4:20 p.m. Meet the Directors: Federal Small Business Programs**