GEORGIA GMIS SPRING 2020

The Georgia GMIS Board of Directors invites you to attend the 2020 Spring Conference. The theme will be “Cyber Wars”, in recognition of the roles we are shifting towards. Today, Technology Professionals are no longer just looking for new solutions to satisfy growing business needs. We are also facing a battle to protect our agencies from hostile forces looking for any opening to invade. The landscape is constantly broadening and changing. There are more diverse technology options being implemented to support our business needs. We are asked to protect our organization's investments and support their goals in this new era. Join us as we explore different strategies for the future. The conference starts on Monday, May 4, ending Thursday, May 7, 2020. The Geek Trak will begin on Sunday, May 3. It is located at The Graduate in Athens, GA.

The LGCIO (Local Government Chief Information Officer) program’s leadership curriculum will be Leading in a Political Environment. Attendees will better understand the demands and external drivers which holds our public leaders accountable. On Tuesday the focus will be on Incident Response & Preparedness as it relates to security, and Wednesday will look at Real World IT Incidents.

Geek Trak is welcoming back Dederick Scott as our trainer. He has lined up a deeper dive into some of the topics covered in the Fall 2019, focusing on a defensive network environment.

We would like to show appreciation for the continued support of our sponsors. Their participation make these conferences a continued success. Their products, services, and knowledge keeps our agencies on the move towards the future.

May the 4th be with you. We look forward to seeing you in Athens!

Larry J Hobbs Jr.
President, Georgia GMIS
Each day of the conference will provide insight into aspects of the latest trends in information technology, brought to you by experts in the field. Regional and national vendors will be onsite offering tools and solutions designed for state and local governments. Most importantly, you will exchange knowledge and ideas about what works and what doesn’t work with your IT peers who represent shops of all sizes from nearly every region of the state.

**Sunday, May 3**
Geek Trak—Day 1 (12:00 noon–5:00 PM)

**Monday, May 4**
Conference Opens
LGCIO Management Education Session—Leading in a Political Environment
Geek Trak—Day 2
The Rundown Session (previously The Good, the Bad and the Ugly)

**Tuesday, May 5**
LGCIO Technical Education Session—Incident Management
Geek Trak—Day 3

**Wednesday, May 6**
LGCIO—Panel Discussion and Interactive Workshop
Geek Trak—Day 4

**Thursday, May 7**
Georgia GMIS Business Meeting
Conference Adjournment

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

**Early Bird Conference Fee Will Run From March 2 - March 28, 2020**

- LGCIO Early Bird Conference Registration Fee (Includes One Banquet Ticket) ................................................. $400.00
- Geek Trak Early Bird Conference Registration Fee (Includes One Banquet Ticket) ................................................. $500.00

**Regular Conference Fee Will Run From March 29 - April 24, 2020**

- LGCIO Conference Registration Fee (Includes One Banquet Ticket) ................................................................. $500.00
- Geek Trak Conference Registration Fee (Includes One Banquet Ticket) ................................................................. $600.00
- Tuesday Banquet Guest: ........................................................................................................................................... $50.00

**Anyone bringing a guest or spouse must request and pay for a banquet ticket prior to their arrival at the conference**
Hotel Information

Graduate Athens
295 E Dougherty Street
Athens, GA 30601
706-549-7020

https://www.graduatehotels.com/athens/

When making your reservation, please mention that you are with the Georgia Government Management Information Sciences (GMIS) conference to get the special rate of $103 (plus taxes) per night.

Also, recall the hotel/motel tax levied by the State Legislature in July 2015 at $5.00 per room, per night.

All reservations can be made on-line at: GMIS 2020 Special Rate

Check-in: 4:00 PM
Check out: 11:00 PM

A block of rooms will be held at the hotel until April 3, 2020, or until all rooms have been reserved, whichever comes first. After this date, the hotel will make reservations at the special rate based on the availability of rooms.

PARKING
Parking at the Graduate Athens will be $5.00 per day

Please remember to bring your tax exempt forms!