

2026 HAWAII SBIR CONFERENCE

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



WHY SPONSOR THE 2026 HAWAI'I SBIR CONFERENCE?

Driving innovation where ocean, space, and advanced manufacturing intersect — connecting your brand with the leaders shaping tomorrow's industries.

CONFERENCE MISSION

Accelerating innovation across all sectors, including ocean, space & advanced manufacturing

TARGET AUDIENCE

Industry leaders, tech & innovative companies, government agencies, investors & researchers

SPONSOR BENEFITS

Brand exposure, support Hawai'i's tech ecosystem, high-value networking & alignment with cutting-edge industries

NEIGHBOR ISLAND IMPACT

Connect with and show your support for companies on Hawai'i Island, Maui, and O'ahu

HAWAI'I SBIR



Fueling Hawai'i's Next-Generation Economy

The Small Business Innovation Research/Small Business Technology Transfer (SBIR/STTR) program is a competitive federal initiative that empowers startups and small businesses to conduct R&D with commercial potential with the goal of bringing innovative solutions to market.

In Hawai'i, SBIR/STTR is a critical engine for transforming our unique geographic and scientific advantages into thriving industries. Starting in 1988, Hawaii has the longest running state-funded SBIR matching grant program in the nation, helping companies get to the next level of funding and to scale.

This conference aims to connect local companies with the Federal program managers and other opportunities for small businesses to support their innovation, go-to-market activities, and scale-up.

Innovation.

Commercialization.

The SBIR/STTR program supports a future where Hawai'i's tech sector drives global change and local prosperity

AUDIENCE & SECTOR REACH

Your sponsorship reaches
leaders across three high-
growth sectors



Ocean Technology

Autonomous systems, subsea robotics, marine energy, and deep-sea resource companies seeking partners and investors.

Leveraging our Pacific location for marine research, autonomous systems, and blue economy solutions

SPONSOR VISIBILITY

Position your brand at the forefront of ocean technology, marine science, and sustainable resource development

Space Technology

Satellite operators, launch providers, in-space servicing firms, and government agencies driving commercial space growth.

The global space economy is projected to surpass \$1 trillion by 2040, creating enormous opportunity

SPONSOR VISIBILITY

Premium brand placement in front of space industry leaders, government agencies, and investors

Advanced Manufacturing

Additive manufacturing, advanced materials, robotics, and digital twin technologies serving both ocean and space markets. Includes 3D-printed components for extreme environments, pressure-resistant composites, in-space fabrication systems, and self-healing structures — the connective tissue driving innovation across all three sectors.

SPONSOR VISIBILITY

Support building local capacity for precision fabrication and dual-use technologies. Gain visibility in a sector revolutionizing local and global production.

SPONSORSHIP TIERS

Flexible packages designed to match your goals and budget.

Wednesday, November 4 -
Oahu - **All Topics**

Thursday, November 5 -
Hawai'i Island - **Ocean
Focus**

Friday, November 6 -
Maui - **Space Focus**

Unicorn Sponsor – Covers all 3 days
\$7,000 – 1 available

Venture Sponsor – Covers 2 days of
your choice
\$3,000 – 4 available

Mentor Sponsor – Covers 1 day of your
choice
\$2,000 – 6 available

Startup Sponsor – Covers 1 day of your
choice
\$1,000 – 3 available

UNICORN SPONSOR

\$7,000 (1 AVAILABLE)

CHAMPION TECH & INNOVATION

- Opportunity to give conference welcome remarks
- Preeminent positioning of logo on all pre-event, on-site, and post-event promotional materials, including event web page, signage for all three conference days.
- (5) one-day conference passes for any of the conference dates
- Premier recognition in conference marketing channels
 - Inclusion in the press release
 - (5x) mention on HTDC social media channels
 - Company logo on slides during breaks
 - Inclusion in (2) conference eblasts
- Virtual booth in conference app

VENTURE SPONSOR

\$3,000 4 AVAILABLE

FUEL INNOVATION

- Introduce a panel topic/speaker participation
- Tiered positioning of logo on all pre event, onsite, and post event promotional materials, including event web page, featured for one of the conference days.
- (3) One-day conference passes
- Premier recognition in conference marketing channels
(3x) mention on HTDC social media channels
Company logo on slides during breaks
Inclusion in (1) conference eblast
- Virtual booth in conference app

MENTOR SPONSOR

\$2,000 6 AVAILABLE

DRIVE KNOWLEDGE SHARING

- Tiered positioning of logo on all pre event, onsite, and post event promotional materials, including event web page.
- (2) One-day conference passes
- Premier recognition in conference marketing channels
 - 2x mention on HTDC social media channels
 - Company logo on slides during breaks
 - Inclusion in (1) conference eblasts
- Virtual booth in conference app

STARTUP SPONSOR

\$1,000 3 AVAILABLE

IGNITE ACCELERATED GROWTH

- Tiered positioning of logo on all pre event, onsite, and post event promotional materials, including event web page.
- (2) One-day conference passes
- Recognition in conference marketing channels
(1x) mention on HTDC social media channels
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BECOME A SPONSOR

INVEST IN THE FUTURE OF INNOVATION
AND TECHNOLOGY IN HAWAII

Join leading organizations shaping the next frontier. Secure your sponsorship today and position your brand at the intersection of three transformative industries.

Contact Us to Reserve Your Package

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