

RESTAURANT FINANCE MONITOR'S
**RESTAURANT FINANCE &
DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE**

Frequently Asked Questions

- **Is the Restaurant Finance & Development Conference a live event this year?**
Yes, the conference will be live on November 8-10, 2021 at the Bellagio in Las Vegas

- **Where is the conference?**
Bellagio Hotel & Casino
3600 S Las Vegas Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89109
[\(888\) 987-6667](tel:8889876667)
The conference rate is \$209 + \$37 daily resort fee.

NOTE: early arrival and late departure hotel pricing will differ from the conference rate

NOTE: Please be careful of hotel scammers. No one from the Bellagio or the conference will contact you to book your reservation.

- **How do I make a hotel reservation at the Bellagio Hotel?**
You will receive the hotel code to book your hotel room when you registered and paid to attend the conference. The hotel link and passcode will be sent with your confirmation letter.
- **What is the conference doing about Covid guidelines and social distancing?**
Conference staff is working with the Bellagio Hotel and Las Vegas Convention Bureau on event standards for social distancing. If you have specific questions or concerns, please contact us.
info@restfinance.com

Current CDC Event Guidelines: https://www.northstarmeetinggroup.com/News/Coronavirus-CDC-Event-Meeting-Conference-Planning-Guidelines-Tips-Advice?utm_source=eNewsletter&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=eltrMtgNews&oly_enc_id=4024E1689290A9X

- **Do I have to be vaccinated in order to attend?**
You will not have to be vaccinated in order to attend the Restaurant Finance & Development Conference.
- **Do I have to wear a mask?**
The conference area will abide by the current safety guidelines for MGM properties. If a mask is mandatory in November, you will need to wear one while on the conference floor. If masks are not mandatory – you are free to make the decision for yourself.
- **I am an exhibitor and moved my participation from 2020 to 2021 – what do I need to do?**
Please contact Abbi Nawrocki to be sure you are all set for 2021 abbi@franchisetimes.com

- I am an attendee who was registered to attend the 2020 conference. What should I do to make sure I am registered for 2021?**
 If you have not already been contacted by the conference, please follow up with Rachel Knudson at rkundson@franchisetimes.com
- Is there a one day pass?**
 No. We do not offer a one-day pass. You must pay the entire conference rate to attend. Your name badge is your “ticket” to get in to the sessions, networking and luncheons.
- What is the best way to maximize my time at the conference?**
 We recommend you set up appointments in advance. Long-time attendees maintain an active schedule of pre-arranged appointments. They utilize the attendee list to arrange appointments with sponsors and exhibitors and the conference mobile app to reach out to make appointments with fellow attendees. We also offer the RFDCconnect service, where our staff will assist you in making appointments.
- Who usually attends this conference?**
 Owners, operators, and executives of multi-unit restaurant companies—both franchised and Independent—send representatives to RFDC each year. Attendees also include executives in finance, accounting, development, legal, real estate and franchising. Also invited are consultants, private and public equity investors, lenders, brokers, bankers, developers, accountants, attorneys and financial dealmakers who serve the restaurant industry.
- What time does the conference start and end?**
 Registration for the conference will open at 12:00 pm on Monday, November 8th. The general session begins at 2:00pm and the conference will conclude at 12:00pm on Wednesday, November 10, 2021.
- Does the Bellagio offer mobile check-in?**
 MGM Resorts offer mobile check in. Download the MGM Resorts app in advance and you can check in early and bypass the line when you arrive. Use it to access the guest elevators and pool as well.
- I want to attend your sister conference, Food On Demand. Do I need to register and pay separately?**
 If you are a restaurant operator who paid the operator price for RFDC, you may attend the Food On Demand Conference complimentary. If you are NOT a restaurant operator, you must register and pay the conference fee to attend. Register for Food On Demand here: <https://foodondemandnews.com/food-on-demand-conference/november2021/>
- Is there a dress code?**
 We require a minimum standard of business casual attire at all times, although it should be pointed out that many attendees wear sport coats or suits. The conference maintains a professional and business-like atmosphere and we expect our attendees to respect this. Ask yourself this question: If you were going to meet with your banker, what would you wear to the meeting?
- Who is Restaurant Finance Monitor?**
 The Restaurant Finance Monitor keeps restaurant owners, lenders, landlords, brokers and investors informed of the financial and investment trends impacting the restaurant industry. The Monitor is professionally-written, an inside-the-ropes expert on the multi-unit restaurant business. For over thirty years, the Monitor has delivered vital insight and analysis through its newsletter, webinars and conferences.
- Is there a mobile app?** There will be a mobile app for this event launching in October. From the app you can reach out to other attendees to set up meetings in advance, view the agenda, contact the sponsors, etc. Only registered attendees will have access to the app.

- **Will an attendee list be available?**

An attendee list will be available to paid attendees starting in September and updated each Friday leading up to the event. To set up meetings, you must reach out through the mobile app.

- **How do I connect with other attendees?**

You may use the attendee list to contact other attendees. You can also send a message through the mobile app to connect with attendees, exhibitors, speakers and sponsors.

- **Other questions?**

Please contact our conference staff at info@restfinance.com