

Women in Business CONFERENCE



JUNE 8, 2026

AGENDA – Tentative - Subject to change

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| 830am-9:00am | REGISTRATION & NETWORKING |
| 9:00am – 9:25am | WELCOME |
| 9:25am – 10:20 am | INNOVATE & INSPIRE <i>Opening Session</i> – Elaine Hand, InnerView, Inc.
Love your job – love yourself |
| 10:20 am – 10:30 am | NETWORKING BREAK |
| 10:30am- 11:15 am | Panel Discussion – Technology and Agriculture
Women play a vital role in agriculture, yet they often lack the support and recognition they deserve. This discussion explores how digital technologies, artificial intelligence, and precision agriculture can help bridge that gap—making agricultural work more accessible, efficient, and productive for women while providing them with greater independence and opportunity.
Moderator – Invited (TBA)
Panelist – John Deere (TBA)
Panelist – Brandt Consolidated Inc (TBA)
Panelist – Invited (TBA) |
| 11:15 – 11:50 am | Behavioral health topic
<i>General Session</i> – Invited (TBA) |
| 11:50am – 12:35 pm | NETWORKING BREAK and LUNCH |
| 12:35pm – 1:15 pm | Paving the Way to a Balanced Digital Future (AI in the Workplace)– Bev Alfon |
| 1:15 pm – 2:00 pm | Negotiation Tactics – Joan Phillips-Hernandez, PhD, Dean, College of Business, NIU |
| 2:00 – 2:15 pm | Drawings for door prizes, closing remarks – Laurie Silvey, VP, Business Services |
| 2:15 pm | Adjourn |