# Top 5 Reasons to Meet in Portland



## **Great Value – and Values**

With no sales tax or food and beverage tax, Portland lets you stretch your budget while delegates indulge. We're also big on saving the other kind of green, with a natural commitment to sustainability, inclusion and ethical practices.

> Portland was named the No. 1 Foodie City by Wallethub in 2019.

#### Spacious, Beautiful (and Sustainable) Convention Center

The Oregon Convention Center (OCC) became the nation's first LEED-certified meeting facility in 2004, and went LEED Platinum in 2014. Renovated in 2019, the OCC offers 255,000 square feet of contiguous exhibit space, 50 meeting rooms totaling 55,000 square feet and two ballrooms totaling 60,000 square feet.



> 56% of the recent OCC renovations were contracted or subcontracted by diverse firms.



### Happy Planner, Happy Delegates (and Lots of Them)

You're already a hero (or a heroine); meeting in Portland will catapult you to super status. The city's welcoming culture and famous food scene delights delegates, and Travel Portland's here-when-you-need-us service keeps planners smiling.

> Travel Portland earned the Meetings & Convention Gold Service Award 17 years in a row.

## **Hotel Package That Keeps Getting Better**

With an enviable collection of boutique and big-name hotels, Portland's hotel package is experiencing a big growth spurt. Our 7,000 central-city rooms include the new 600-room Hyatt Regency headquarter hotel, opened in 2019.

> By 2021, Portland's central-city hotel room inventory is projected to grow by nearly 50% compared to 2016.





## **Award-Winning Transportation**

Portland has the nation's best airport — and getting around gets even better when you step outside and experience our convenient, easy-to-navigate transit system that includes light rail, streetcars and the original mode of transport: walking.

Portland International Airport (PDX) has been voted the nation's best airport by Travel + Leisure readers for seven years running.