



# **Symposium on the 'NEW' Apprenticeship Model & Initiatives**



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# Dual Education in Germany



- Dual Education combines apprenticeships in a company and vocational education at a school (Berufsschule, Berufsakademie, Hochschule ...)
- In Germany more than 350 occupations are offered as apprenticeships
- Apprentices become employees of the company and earn money while working & studying
- Duale Hochschule now offers work – study options at University level

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At the GAI we believe that the Dual Education system can be used as a guide and modified and adapted for the US and be of great value.

However, not many people are aware or familiar with the model of dual education and apprenticeship opportunities

# Agenda



**7:10pm – Keynote Address: Mario Kratsch; VP GACC Midwest, Chicago**

**ICATT APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM – OPPORTUNITIES FOR COMPANIES**

**7:30pm – Industry Perspective: Bühler**

**Verena Walther; Sr. HR Generalist & John Nelson; Apprenticeship Instructor**

**7:45pm – Education Perspective: St. Paul College**

**Rainer Haarbusch PhD; Interim Dean for Career & Technical Education**

**8:00pm – State of Minnesota: Department of Labor & Industry**

**Annie Welch; Manager PIPELINE Program & Leslie Philmon; Sr. Field  
Representative, Registered Apprenticeship**

**8:20pm – Q & A and Panel Discussion**