

IIMC Region VI



Mid-Year Education & Business Meeting

March 6, 2026

Minnesota Welcomes You to the 2026 IIMC Region VI Mid-Year Meeting

IIMC Region VI consists of **Iowa, Minnesota and Wisconsin** and the hosting of the Mid-Year meeting rotates each year. Minnesota is excited to be the 2026 mid-year host on **March 6, 2026**.

The host hotel for your 2026 meeting will be the:

Country Inn & Suites
2221 Killebrew Drive
Bloomington, MN 55425



The Country Inn & Suites is offering a special room rate of \$132 double or \$132 king per night for Wednesday through Friday night. Please make your hotel reservation now. Please reserve your room by scanning the QR Code above or going to this address:
<https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/xo39o0>

These rates will only be available until February 6, 2026.

You are invited to attend the Athenian Dialogue Session and the Region VI Mid-Year Meeting on Friday. For those who can stay, we will find something to do as a group, if everyone wishes to do that.

Check each event(s) you wish to attend:



Friday Class - Athenian Dialogue
(9:00am-4:00pm)
Region VI Meeting will start at 4:00pm

IIMC Member: \$75.00

Non-Member: \$95.00

****Registration Limited to 35 Participants****

IIMC Region VI Registration:

Name: _____

Municipality: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Any Special Dietary Needs or Restrictions: _____

(we will do our best to accommodate dietary requests)

Contact Us

If you have any questions regarding the Region VI meeting, please contact your Region VI Directors:

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If you have questions or problems with the registration process, contact Trish Gleason.

Send Form & Payment to:

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Payable to: IIMC Region VI

Postmark by: February 20, 2026

Athenian Dialogue

Dare To Lead

By: Brene Brown

Facilitator: Eelco Groenenboom Msc MMC

Class will be held from 9:00 am-4:00 pm in the Conference Room



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Letting people grow by believing in themselves is what Eelco drives daily; where people grow, organizations flourish. Educated as civil engineer and holding a master in Public Administration it is not difficult for him to build bridges between people. He has almost 30 years of experience in all levels of the government world. The last 15 years as a City Clerk. He is one of the three teachers in the training programs for Clerks and Deputy Clerks in The Netherlands. In his courses he likes to highlight and discuss the grey areas of working in a political environment. Parts that he also covered in trainings for civil servants on how to advise within the government. Eelco's certification in RealDrives and Profile Dynamics helps him to reflect on people's behavior and make it a topic of discussion. Because knowing and understanding your own drives is important for your personal development - Understanding others' drives provides tools for improving teams and the organization - Drives determine what and why people do what they do. Eelco received his Master Municipal Clerks designation in 2015; and was accepted as first Athenian Dialogue Facilitator outside the American continent in 2022.

Session Description:

"Dare to Lead" by Brené Brown is a leadership book that emphasizes the importance of vulnerability, courage, and empathy in effective leadership. It outlines four key skill sets for daring leaders: braving vulnerability, living into one's values, trusting, and rising. Brown argues that true leadership isn't about titles or power, but about recognizing potential and having the courage to develop it, even in the face of uncertainty and challenges.

In essence, "Dare to Lead" encourages leaders to cultivate a more human-centered approach, focusing on empathy, connection, and courage to foster a culture of trust, innovation, and resilience within their teams.



****IMPORTANT attendees are required to purchase their own book and read PRIOR to the dialogue****

PLEASE NOTE: This Training has been pre-approved for 3.0 CMC and 3.0 MMC points.