



August 13, 2014
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



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| 8:00-9:00 | Registration | Reimagining the Delta Workforce Assembling leaders in business and industry, community colleges and higher education, local and state government, this summit will use the report <i>Future of the South: Reimagining Workforce Development</i> as the framework for discussing the challenges, needs, and opportunities to strengthen our region's workforce systems into an effective workforce pipeline of trained and skilled workers. This summit is about job creation, education, and economic development for the Delta region. |
| 9:00-9:15 | Welcome/Orientation Chairman Christopher Masingill Delta Regional Authority Chancellor Dr. Laurence Alexander University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff | |
| 9:15-9:45 | Congressman Mike Ross Arkansas Democrat Gubernatorial Candidate | Perspectives on the AR Workforce Development and Training Needs for the next administration from an Arkansas Gubernatorial Candidate |
| 10:00-11:15 | Randy Zook, President Arkansas State Chamber, and Associated Industries of Arkansas The Honorable Shane Broadway Director, Arkansas Department of Higher Education, Governor's Cabinet on Workforce Senator Jane English Arkansas General Assembly | State of the State on Arkansas Workforce Development Private Sector Perspective from Business and Industry in Arkansas Public Sector Outlook from the State Government Role and Perspective Legislative Viewpoint of Workforce Development and Training in Arkansas |
| 11:10-12:20 | Reimagining Workforce Development DRA Report commissioned by the Southern Growth Policies Board Linda Hoke, Economic Leadership LLC | Presentation of Report Findings 1. Reimagine Readiness 2. Reengage Adult Learners and Disconnected Youth 3. Realigning Relationships and Resources 4. Listening to the South |
| 11:00-11:10 | Break/Pick up lunch/Return to Seat | |
| 12:30-1:00 | Congressman Asa Hutchinson Arkansas Republican Gubernatorial Candidate | Perspectives on the AR Workforce Development and Training Needs for the next administration from an Arkansas Gubernatorial Candidate |



Reimagining
THE DELTA WORKFORCE



1:15- 2:15 Moderator, Roby Brock
Talk Business and Politics

Panelists:

1. Craig Lichty (invited)
2. Patrick Schueck (invited)
3. Michael Garner

Business and Industry Roundtable

1. Finding solutions for manufacturer's emerging workforce needs
2. The role of business and Industry in developing a skilled workforce
3. Career paths, credentials, curriculum, and training that works vs. those don't
4. Industry recommendations

2:15-3:00 White House Initiatives
Panelists:
1. Federal Agency Rep
2. Administration Rep
3. Congressional/Policy Rep

Jennifer Worth, AACC Director Center for Workforce and Economic Development

3:00-4:00 Panelists:
1. K-12 Rep-?
2. AATYC, (Bill Stovall, invited)
3. Education Associations Rep
4. 2-year Institutions
Dr. Sandra Massie, ASU System,
Vice President
5. The Honorable Bill Walker
ACE, Director

The Educational and Career Training Stakeholder Perspective

What is the role, focus, and responsibility of our state's education institutions with our workforce training?

What is the future of their partnership in trying to address current and future workforce needs?

4:15-5:00 Panelist:
1. Debra Lyons, ACT-
2. Dr. Robert Gunter

Regional Best Practices, Models and Initiatives between Economic Development and Workforce Development

Certified Work Ready Communities
ADTEC, Mid-South Community College

5:00 Wrap-up and Reception



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Host Partner