2016 PUBLIC PENSION FUNDING FORUM

August 21 – 23
Omni New Haven Hotel at Yale University
New Haven, Connecticut

Final Agenda

Sunday, August 21, 2016

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm  Registration
Grand Ballroom Foyer

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm  Welcome Reception
Grand Ballroom A

Monday, August 22, 2016

8:00 am – 4:30 pm  Registration
Grand Ballroom Foyer

8:00 am – 9:00 am  Coffee Break
Grand Ballroom A

9:00 am – 4:30 pm  Forum General Session
Grand Ballroom C

9:00 am – 10:00 am  Pre-Conference – Review of 2015 Funding Forum and Subsequent Research (Optional)
Michael Kahn, NCPERS & IPPS
George Matthews, Analytic Investors
Richard Sims, Sierra Institute of Applied Economics

10:00 am – 11:00 am  Welcome to 2016 Funding Forum
Hank Kim, NCPERS

Rush to get into and struggle to get out of Defined Contribution Plans – The Case of West Virginia
David Haney, West Virginia Education Association

11:00 am – 11:15 am  Break
11:15 am – 12:15 pm  **Advocating for Public Pensions**  
*Moderator:* Clare Barnett, Connecticut Teacher Retirement System  
Bailey Childers, National Public Pension Coalition  
Bri Jones, Equality State Policy Center, Wyoming

12:15 pm – 1:30 pm  Lunch Session  
Grand Ballroom B  
**Closing the Pension Funding Gap - What's Legal and what's Not?**  
*Moderator:* Dana Dillon, CalSTRS  
Robert Klausner, Klausner Kaufman Jensen & Levinson

1:45 pm – 2:45 pm  **Public Pension Funding Issues: Myths and Realities**  
*Moderator:* John Jensen, Chair IPPS Advisory Group  
Keith Brainard, NASRA  
Leigh Snell, NCTR

2:45 pm – 4:30 pm  **Risk Management to Address Funding Issues**  
*Moderator:* Roger Rea, Omaha School Employees Retirement System  
Gene Kalwarski, Cheiron  
Priya Mathur, CalPERS  
Tim Myers, Ohio STRS  
Rebecca Merrill, Texas TRS  
Deborah Spalding, CT TRS

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm  Networking Reception  
Grand Ballroom A

**Tuesday, August 23, 2016**

7:30 am – 2:30 pm  Registration  
Grand Ballroom Foyer

8:00 am – 9:15 am  Continental Breakfast Session  
Grand Ballroom B  
**A Trend Reversed: The Abandonment of Defined Contribution Plans in the Americas and Central and Eastern Europe**  
*Moderator:* Hank Kim, NCPERS  
Stephen Kay, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

9:15 am – 2:30 pm  Forum General Session  
Grand Ballroom C

9:15 am – 10:15 am  **Pension Reforms and Economic Volatility**  
*Moderator:* Hank Kim, NCPERS  
Teresa Ghilarducci, The New School  
Michael Kahn, IPPS & NCPERS
10:15 am – 11:15 am  Investment Strategies to Close the Pension Funding Gap in Low Return Environment  
**Moderator:** Roger Rea, Omaha School Employees Retirement System  
Rafael Silveira, JP Morgan  
Dan Flanagan, Infrastructure Investment Services  
Arun Muralidhar, Mcube Investment Technologies

11:15 am – 11:30 am  Break

11:30 am – 12:30 pm  Panel Discussion: Closing the Funding Gap without Dismantling Public Pensions  
**Moderator:** John Jensen, Chair IPPS Advisory Group  
Sean McNeeley, The PFM Group  
David Wilson, Nuveen Asset Management  
Susan Kennedy, Alabama Education Association

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm  Lunch Session  
Grand Ballroom B  
**Phishing for Phools: Economics of Manipulation and Deception – What does it mean for Public Pensions?**  
Robert Shiller, Yale University, Nobel Laureate in Economics

2:00 pm – 2:30 pm  Closing Remarks and Next Steps  
John Jensen, Chair IPPS Advisory Group  
Michael Kahn, NCPERS & IPPS

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