2018 PUBLIC PENSION FUNDING FORUM

September 16 – 18
Cambridge, MA

FINAL AGENDA

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

4:00 pm – 6:30 pm  REGISTRATION
Charles Suite Foyer (East Tower Level 2)

4:30 pm – 5:30 pm  PROGRAM OVERVIEW AND RESEARCH UPDATE
Charles Suite (East Tower Level 2)
Michael Kahn, NCPERS and IPPS

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm  WELCOME RECEPTION
Riverside Terrace (Lobby Level)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

7:30 am – 5:00 pm  REGISTRATION
Charles Suite Foyer (East Tower Level 2)

7:30 am – 8:30 am  BREAKFAST
Parkview Ballroom (East Tower Level 2)

8:30 am – 5:00 pm  GENERAL SESSION I
Charles Suite (East Tower Level 2)

8:30 am – 9:30 am  Welcome & Opening Remarks
Hank Kim, Esq., NCPERS
Pension Landscape and Trends  
*Bridget Early, National Public Pension Coalition*  
*Alex Brown, National Association of State Retirement Administrators*

9:30 am – 11:00 am  State and Local Revenue Options to Address Pension Funding  
*Session Chair – Kathy Harrell, NCPERS*  
*Matt Gardner, Institute on Tax and Economic Policy*  
*Susan Kennedy, Alabama Education Association*  
*Richard Sims, Sierra Institute on Applied Economics*

11:00 am – 11:15 am  BREAK  
Charles Suite Foyer (East Tower Level 2)

11:15 am – 12:15 pm  Stress Testing – A tool to strengthen public pensions  
*Session Chair – Roger Rea, Omaha School Employees Retirement System*  
*Gene Kalwarski, Cheiron*  
*Sandy Matheson, Maine Public Employees Retirement System*

12:15 pm – 1:00 pm  NETWORKING LUNCH  
Parkview Ballroom (East Tower Level 2)

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm  Ensuring Adequate Funding for Public Pensions without Dismantling Them – A New Approach  
*Session Chair – Hank Kim, Esq., NCPERS*  
*Tom Sgouros, Brown University*

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm  Pension Reforms Gone Haywire: What can we do  
*Session Chair – Mel Aaronson, Treasurer UFT, Immediate Past President of NCPERS, Former Chair of TRS of the City of New York*  
*William (Flick) Fornia, Pension Trustee Advisors*  
*Mark Hovey, San Diego Employees Retirement System (Retired)*

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm  BREAK  
Charles Suite Foyer (East Tower Level 2)

3:15 pm – 4:15 pm  State Approaches to Addressing Pension Funding Issues  
*Session Chair – Dana Dillon, CalSTRS*  
*Marcie Frost, CalPERS*  
*Michael Curto, Squire Patton Boggs*
4:15 pm – 5:00 pm  Are Public Pension Cuts Hurting Your Ability to Recruit Workers?  
Session Chair – Roger Rea, Omaha School Employees Retirement System  
Diane Oakley, National Institute on Retirement Security  
Jean-Pierre Aubry, Boston College  
Joshua Franzel, Center for State and Local Government Excellence

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm  NETWORKING RECEPTION  
Parkview Ballroom (East Tower Level 2)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

7:30 am – 2:00 pm  REGISTRATION  
Charles Suite Foyer (East Tower Level 2)

7:30 am – 8:30 am  BREAKFAST  
Longfellow Ballroom (West Tower Lobby Level)

8:30 am – 1:30 pm  GENERAL SESSION II  
Charles Suite (East Tower Level 2)

8:30 am – 9:30 am  Politics of Assault on Pensions: What Can We Do?  
Session Chair – Maureen Westgard, National Council on Teacher Retirement  
Robert Kuttner, American Prospect

9:30 am – 10:30 am  Closing the Funding Gap without Dismantling Public Pensions # 1  
Session Chair – Roger Rea, Omaha School Employees Retirement System  
Christian Weller, University of Massachusetts, Boston  
Christopher Straub, Bank of America Merrill Lynch

10:30 am – 11:30 am  Closing the Funding Gap without Dismantling Public Pensions # 2  
Session Chair – Kathy Harrell, NCPERS  
David Wilson, Nuveen Asset Management  
Robb Ruhr, Analytic Investors

11:30 am – 12:30 pm  NETWORKING LUNCH  
Longfellow Ballroom (West Tower Lobby Level)

As of 8/28/2018
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm  Pension Design Innovation
    Session Chair - Hank Kim, Esq., NCPERS
    Peter Diamond, MIT

1:30 pm  Closing Remarks and Next Steps
    Hank Kim, NCPERS
    Michael Kahn, NCPERS and IPPS

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