# Partnerships for Progress:
Linking Higher Education and Economic Development

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## Preliminary Agenda

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| 8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. | Welcome and Introductions  
**John Thomasian, NGA Center for Best Practices** |
| 8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. | **The Economic Development – Postsecondary Education Nexus**  
The higher education leader responsible for making Columbia University #1 in the country for technology transfer discusses the central role colleges and universities can play in stimulating regional and state economic development.  
**Speaker: Michael M. Crow, Executive Vice President, Columbia University** |
| 9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m | Break |
| 10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. | **Building a Responsive Postsecondary Education System and Research and Development Infrastructure**  
A panel conversation between key leaders in Kentucky who are transforming how the state attracts, builds, and utilizes human capital for entrepreneurship and innovation.  
**Moderator: Gordon Davies, President, Council on Postsecondary Education**  
**Speakers:**  
Crit Luallen, Secretary of the Governor’s Cabinet  
James Ramsey, State Budget Director  
William Brundage, Commissioner, Office of the New Economy  
Daniel Rabuzzi, Vice President for Economic Initiatives, Council on Postsecondary Education |
Strategies to Harness Universities’ Entrepreneurial Capacity
A panel conversation between the presidents of Kentucky’s research universities describing the importance of mission differentiation, legislative support and partnerships.

Moderator: Gordon Davies, President, Council on Postsecondary Education
Speakers:
Lee Todd, President, University of Kentucky
John Shumaker, President, University of Louisville

12:15 pm – 1:30 pm
Lunch and Speaker

The Impetus for Change
Governor Patton describes the types of new investments and policy changes that will promote state economic competitiveness.

Introductory Comments: House Speaker Jody Richards
Speaker: Governor Paul E. Patton, Commonwealth of Kentucky

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 pm
Breakout Sessions

Legislative Leadership: SCOPE and Kentucky Innovations Commission
Kentucky legislators describe the new entities created to facilitate legislative awareness and support for entrepreneurial efforts of higher education and private industry.
Moderator: House Speaker Jody Richards
Representative Harry Moberly
Senator Richie Sanders
Senator Lindy Casebier

Institutional Leadership
Specific college and university efforts to promote technology transfer and help meet employers’ workforce needs are described.
Moderator: Kris Kimel, President, Kentucky Science and Technology Council
Michael McCall, President, Kentucky Community and Technical College System
Gary Ransdell, President, Western Kentucky University
James Votruba, President, Northern Kentucky University

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m
On-Site Consulting
States will have the opportunity to individually consult with the people who make Kentucky’s linkages between higher education and economic development happen, including:

Kentucky Community and Technical College System/Workforce Training
Kentucky Virtual University/Distance Learning
Endowment Match Program (Bucks for Brains)
Postsecondary Education Performance Indicators
Adult Education’s Role in Postsecondary Reform
Postsecondary Education/New Economy Financing
Role of Kentucky Science and Technology Corporation