

# 2025

# CONFERENCE AGENDA

7:30 AM

Registration & Connecting

8:30 AM

Welcome & Introduction

8:45 AM

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Nicholas Webb

Enterprise Strategist, Bestselling Author, Technologist, Futurist

9:30 AM

LOCAL ECONOMIC UPDATE

Jevon Gibb, The Woodlands Area Economic Development Partnership

9:45 AM

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

Mayor John Escoto, City of Shenandoah

Sarah McClure, City of Oak Ridge North

Brad Bailey, The Woodlands Township

10:25 AM

Break

10:45 AM

REGIONAL ECONOMIC UPDATE

Jesse B. Thompson, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas

11:15 AM

TEXAS ECONOMIC LANDSCAPE

Aaron Demerson, Texas Economic Development Corporation

David Leebron, Texas 2036

Moderator: Aaron Cox, The Woodlands Area Chamber of Commerce

11:55 AM

Lunch Buffet

12:25 PM

PREPARING THE WORKFORCE  
OF TOMORROW

Linda Head, Lone Star College

Chad Hargrave, Sam Houston State University

Moderator: Dr. Curtis Null, Conroe ISD

12:50 PM

INNOVATION PANEL

Mike O'Mara, Cellipont

Brad Rossacci, Accenture Houston Innovation Hub

Hannah Kaplan, Entergy

Moderator: Natara Branch, Houston Exponential

1:25 PM

Closing Remarks

1:30 PM - 3:30PM

After Party at the Marriott Bar

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