



**Marriott Crystal Gateway
1700 Richmond Highway, Arlington, VA 22202
Salons 5 & 6**

- 11:45 a.m. **Check-in and pick-up lunch**
- 12:15 p.m. **Welcome and Introductions**
Brett Schwartz, Associate Director, NADO Research Foundation
- 12:45 p.m. **Building Communities and Capacity: An Update from EDA**
Brittany Sickler, Networks Program Manager, Office of Regional Affairs, U.S. EDA
Tori Brown, Communities of Practice Coordinator, U.S. EDA
David Ives, Deputy Director, PRNTAD, U.S. EDA
- 1:15 p.m. *Networking Break*
- 1:30 p.m. **Keynote: Latest Trends and Opportunities in Regional Economic Development**
Brian Kelsey, Manager, Economic Development Advisory Services, Ernst & Young LLP
- 2:15 p.m. *Networking Break*
- 2:30 p.m. **Lightning Round Partner Presentations**
Grace Blanchard, National Association of Counties (Coal transition communities)
Matt Bogoshian, American Manufacturing Communities Collaborative (Manufacturing)
Bob Isaacson, Center for Regional Economic Competitiveness (State-EDD partnerships)
Sarah Kackar, NeighborWorks America (Rural Housing)
Mary Louk, National Development Council & Patrick Davis, CRF USA (Revolving Loan Funds)
Jason Rittenberg, SSTI (Technology-Based Economic Development)
Betsey Suchanic, New Growth Innovation Network (Equity and Economic Inclusion)
- 3:15 p.m. **Small Group Tabletop Conversations with Partners**
- 4:15 p.m. **EDDs Rising: Visioning Session for the Future of EDDs**
Craig Buerstatte, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Regional Affairs, U.S. EDA
- 5:00 p.m. **Final Reflections / Adjourn**
- 5:15 p.m. **Networking Happy Hour in Hotel Lobby**

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