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NEW ENGLAND PUBLIC POLICY CENTER
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ECONOMIC PERSPECTIVES ON STATE AND LOCAL TAXES AGENDA

An interactive seminar targeted to legislators in the New England states.

Thursday, May 10, 2018

Harvard Faculty Club, 20 Quincy Street, Cambridge, MA

6:30-8:30 p.m. **Reception and dinner for participants and faculty**

Friday, May 11, 2018

Lincoln House, 113 Brattle Street, Cambridge, MA

8:30 - 9:00 a.m. ***Sign-in and continental breakfast***

9:00 – 9:15 a.m. **Introduction**

- *Joan Youngman*, Senior Fellow and Chair, Department of Valuation and Taxation, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy
- *Robert Triest*, Vice President and Director, New England Public Policy Center, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston
- **Moderator for the Day:** *Daphne A. Kenyon*, Resident Fellow in Tax Policy, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy

9:15 – 11:00 a.m. **The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act: State Impacts and State Adjustments**

- *Jared Walczak*, Senior Policy Analyst, The Tax Foundation, “Options for Conforming to Federal Tax Code Changes and Revenue Implications”
- *Andrew Reschovsky*, Research Fellow in Tax Policy, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, “The SALT Deduction Cap: What Will This Mean for New England States?”
- *W. Bartley Hildreth*, Professor of Economics, Georgia State University, “Financing Infrastructure in a New Era for Muni Bonds”

11:00 – 11:15 a.m. ***Break***

11:15 – 12:15 p.m. Critical Expenditure Challenges

- *Riley Sullivan*, Policy Analyst, New England Public Policy Center, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, “The Fiscal Impact of the Opioid Epidemic in the New England States”
- *Donald Boyd*, Visiting Fellow, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, “The Pension Funding Crisis: Critical Issues and Potential for Progress”

12:15 – 1:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 – 1:30 p.m. New England Economic Update

- *Mary Burke*, Senior Economist, New England Public Policy Center, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, “New England Economic Update”

1:30 – 1:45 p.m. Break

1:45 – 3:30 p.m. Tax Policy Innovations

- *Nicholas Johnson*, Senior Vice President for State Fiscal Policy, Center for Budget & Policy Priorities, “Tax Policy Lessons from Kansas”
- *Alicia H. Munnell*, Director, and *Abby Walters*, Research Associate, Center for Retirement Research, Boston College, “Property Tax Deferral: A Proposal to Help Massachusetts’ Seniors”
- *Therese J. McGuire*, ConAgra Foods Research Professor, Strategy Department, Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University, “Tax Options for the Sharing Economy”

3:30 p.m. Adjourn