

# ADVANCING WORLD-CLASS AMBITIONS

## 22nd Annual Leadership Summit

- 7:30 Doors Open** - Arrive early to allow time for parking and check-in
- 8:15 Musical performances** by PSU School of Music Student Ensembles
- 8:30 Welcome and Introduction** - *Maria Pope, President and CEO, Portland General Electric; Chair, Oregon Business Plan*
- 8:45 Poetry Reading** - *Ellen Waterston, Oregon Poet Laureate*
- 8:50 Washington Report** - *U.S. Senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley (Virtual)*
- 9:00 Growing Our Economy**
- **Semiconductors** – *Renée James, Founder, Chairman, and CEO, Ampere Computing*
  - **Clean Technology** – *John O’Leary, President and CEO, Daimler Truck North America*
  - **Food and Beverage** – *Katherine Lam, President and CEO, Bambuza Hospitality Group; Nikki Guerrero, Owner, Hot Mama Salsa; Hannah Kullberg, Community Connector; Mike Thelin, Principal, Bolted Consulting*
  - **The Southern Willamette Valley Innovation Corridor** – *Dr. Jayathi Murthy, President, Oregon State University; Dr. Karl Scholz, President, University of Oregon*
- 10:20 Break**
- 10:40 Legislative Perspectives on Growing Our Economy**
- Representative Ben Bowman, House Democratic Leader
  - Representative Christine Drazan, House Republican Leader
  - Senator Kayse Jama, Senate Democratic Leader
  - Senator Daniel Bonham, Senate Republican Leader
- 11:00 Building Tomorrow’s Talent: Innovative Learning Pathways** - *Tom Vander Ark, CEO and Partner, Getting Smart*
- **Oregon Models:** *Justin Thibedeau, Associate Director & Spark Program Manager, Connected Lane County; Sonora Vejar, Student, University of Oregon; John Stapleton, Principal, PIVOT Architecture; Andrew Gailey, Student, Amity High School*
- 11:50 Lunch Break**
- 12:30 Outlook for the 2025 Legislature** - *Speaker Julie Fahey, Oregon House of Representatives; Senate President Rob Wagner, Oregon State Senate*
- 12:50 Setting the Agenda** - *Governor Tina Kotek*
- 1:20 Breakout Teasers**
- 1:45 Breakouts Round 1 - Level 1, D and E meeting rooms**
- **Industry Consortia: New Model for Talent Development** – *Dan Malinaric, Vice President of Fab 4 Operations, Microchip; Jennifer Purcell, Director, Future Ready Oregon; Brooke Brownlee, Senior Manager of Labor, Workforce, Community Engagement, PGE*
  - **Securing Industrial Land** – *Curtis Robinhold, Executive Director, Port of Portland*
  - **Forest Health and Wildfires** – *Karla Chambers, Co-Owner and Vice President, Stahlbush Island Farms; Matt Donegan, Donegan Advisors and OBC Fellow*
  - **What Next, Portland?** *Dan McMillan, President and CEO, The Standard; Nolan Lienhart, Principal and Director of Planning and Urban Design, ZGF Architects*
  - **Meeting Our Transportation Challenges** – *State Representative Susan McLain; State Senator Chris Gorsek*
  - **Building Capacity for Rural Economic Development** – *Dr. Gina Nikkel, Executive Director, Association of Oregon Counties; State Representative Mark Owens*
- 3:00 Breakouts Round 2**
- **Early Childhood and Child Care** – *Kali Thorne Ladd, CEO, Children’s Institute; Dana Hepper, Director of Policy & Advocacy, Children’s Institute*
  - **Energy and Transmission Planning** – *Larry Bekkedahl, Vice President of Transmission & Distribution, PGE; Nicole Hughes, Executive Director, Renewable Northwest*
  - **Managing Water for the Environment, the Economy and Communities** – *State Representatives Ken Helm and Mark Owens; Geoff Huntington, Senior Natural Resources Advisor to Governor Kotek*
  - **Southern Willamette Valley Innovation Corridor** – *Tina Guldborg, Assistant Vice President Economic Development & Strategic Relations, University of Oregon; Rebecca Robinson, Associate Vice President for Economic Development and Industry Relations, Oregon State University*
  - **Modernizing Oregon’s Approach to Regulation** – *Angela Wilhelms, President and CEO, Oregon Business and Industry; Paloma Sparks, Executive Vice President and General Counsel, Oregon Business & Industry*
  - **The Housing Production Agenda** – *Matthew Tschabold, Housing and Homelessness Initiative Director for Governor Kotek*
- 4:00-7:00 Food Forward Reception**, across the street at **Avenue**. ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY.