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2018 IEDC Annual Conference's Keynote Speaker List
1,200 Plus Economic Development Professionals to Meet in Atlanta, GA this Fall

Washington, DC (May 23, 2018) – The International Economic Development Council is hosting its 2018 IEDC Annual Conference in Atlanta Georgia from Sept. 30 to Oct. 3. This year, the conference will focus on equality: providing opportunities for individuals who are struggling to meet basic needs in life, e.g. decent paying jobs, establish a career track, start a business, and generate wealth for themselves. The event theme is “Inclusive Economic Development: Fulfilling Dreams”. The event will be held at the Hyatt Regency in Atlanta.

Keynote speakers for this year are:

- Ed Bastian, CEO, Delta Airlines, Atlanta, GA
- Raphael Bostic, CEO and President, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Atlanta, GA
- Dan Cathy, Chairman, President, and CEO, Chick-Fil-A, Atlanta, GA
- Shan Cooper, Chief Transformation Officer, WestRock, Atlanta, GA
- Gretchen Corbin, President and CEO, Georgia Lottery Corporation, Atlanta, GA
- Anne Kaiser, Vice President, Community & Economic Development, Georgia Power, Atlanta, GA

Annual Conference sessions will focus on the following:

- Reimagining Economic Development
- Growing from Within
- Widening the Circle
- Placemaking
- Pioneering New Opportunities

Speaker bios and session descriptions may be found at iedconline.org/AnnualConference.

Early bird deadline is July 13. The cost for members is \$749 and for non-members it is \$1049. For a full list of prices and deadlines, visit the conference's [registration site](#).

About the International Economic Development Council

The International Economic Development Council (IEDC) is a non-profit membership organization serving economic developers. With more than

5,200 members, IEDC is the largest organization of its kind. Economic developers promote economic well-being and quality of life for their communities by creating, retaining and expanding jobs that facilitate growth, enhance wealth and provide a stable tax base. From public to private, rural to urban, and local to international, IEDC's members are engaged in the full range of economic development experience. Given the breadth of economic development work, our members are employed in a wide variety of settings including local, state, provincial and federal governments, public-private partnerships, chambers of commerce, universities and a variety of other institutions. IEDC's members create high-quality jobs, develop vibrant communities and improve the quality of life in their regions.
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