Jeremy “Jerry” Jacobs Jr. is a Keynote Speaker at the 2018 IEDC Economic Future Forum

Dozens of Experts to Discuss Future Industries and their Impacts on Economic Development


The 2018 Economic Future Forum theme is: Planning for Prosperity: Leveraging Tomorrow’s Brightest Industries. Speakers will highlight core concepts and opportunities economic developers can capitalize for their communities, as industries continue to evolve.

“Jerry’s background is a great contribution to this year’s Economic Future Forum program and overall, to the economic development profession. We are pleased to have Jerry join us this year.”

-Craig Richard, CEdC, FM, President and CEO, Tampa Hillsborough Economic Development Corporation located in Tampa, Florida, and 2018 IEDC Board Chair

Jeremy M. Jacobs Jr. is Co-Chief Executive Officer of Delaware North, a family-owned, global leader in hospitality and food service. Jacobs is also active in numerous industry organizations including the U.S. Travel CEO Roundtable. He was recently invited to join a National Parks-focused advisory committee for U.S. Department of the Interior. The committee, which is made up of officials from the private and the non-profit sectors, will advise the Secretary of the department on creative solutions to solve for the growing infrastructure needs in the U.S. National Parks.

“Delaware North is a global company, but we are proud to call Buffalo ‘home.’ We are thrilled that this community was selected to host IEDC’s 2018 conference, and we hope that attendees will feel energized by the exciting economic development taking place in our hometown.” – Jeremy “Jerry” Jacobs, Co-Chief Executive Officer Delaware North, and Alternate Governor, Boston Bruins

A full list of speakers and their bios may be found at iedconline.org/EconomicFutureForum.

The cost for IEDC members is $725 and for non-members it is $900. For a full list of prices and deadlines, visit the conference registration site.

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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. www.iedcONLINE.org.

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