EXPONENTIAL GROWTH | EXPONENTIAL FUTURE

8:00 a.m.

REGISTRATION & NETWORKING

9:30 a.m.

WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS

Hon. Alan Wapner

SCAG President, San Bernardino County Transportation Authority

Steve PonTell

Co-Chair, Southern California Leadership Council

SOCAL WILDFIRES: RECOVERY & LESSONS LEARNED

Ray Bowman

Director of the Center for Small Business Development Economic Development Collaborative - Ventura County

SCAG REGION ECONOMIC UPDATE

Wallace Walrod, Ph.D.

Chief Economic Advisor, Orange County Business Council

Unemployment rates are at 10-year lows. Wages are increasing, but unevenly across the region. Housing prices continue to climb, but in part due to a shortage of workforce housing. Technology is re-shaping the Southern California economy, presenting both opportunities and challenges. What's next for our evolving region? What will drive continued economic growth and job creation across the six-county SCAG region? SCAG's Chief Economic Advisor will provide an insightful look at the state of the region's economy and what the future may hold.

10:30 a.m.

ON DECK: WHAT'S NEXT FOR THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ECONOMY?

Moderator: Nicole Washington

Director of Innovation and Growth, OCTANe

Mario Archaga

Director of State Government Affairs, UPS

Stacey Scoggin Pugh

Vice President & General Manager, Medtronic Neurovascular

Qingqing Wu

Director of Corporate Development, Neural Analytics

Whether it's high concentrations of companies to foster innovation, a skilled workforce, or just really great weather, Southern California is a great place to do business. The introduction of cutting-edge technologies, however, have not only sparked the region's keystone industries, but have also introduced new economy industries that are primarily technology-centric. Innovation is shaping the future and forcing us to re-think transportation, housing and economic development. Hear from industry representatives about the exponential rate of growth that is occurring in their respective industries and how technology is changing the face of business in Southern California.

11:30 a.m.

LUNCH

12:00 p.m.

FEATURED KEYNOTE

Garrett Reisman, Ph.D.
Former NASA Astronaut
Senior Advisor, SpaceX
Professor, University of Southern California

12:30 p.m.

THE FUTURE OF TRANSPORTATION: EXPONENTIAL GROWTH IN CALIFORNIA'S HOTTEST SECTOR

Moderator: Matt Petersen

President & CEO, Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator

Calli Cenizal

West Coast Transportation Policy Manager, Lyft

Kyndell Gaglio

Government Partnerships, BIRD

Ryan Kelly

Head of Marketing & Communications, Virgin Hyperloop One

Chris Thompson

Vice President of Local Public Affairs, Southern California Edison

In recent years, California's transportation sector has seen exponential growth, due primarily to new technology-driven innovations. With the utilization and deployment of dockless scooters, transportation network companies, high-speed transportation technologies and electrification, the sector is rapidly changing. The increase in mobility options will impact how SCAG plans for the region's future needs through Connect SoCal, the agency's long-range transportation plan currently in development. This panel will discuss the exciting plans for transportation, manufacturing and opportunities for jobs, as well as the ways we can support growth and maintain leadership in this core industry cluster.

1:30 p.m.

AFTERNOON KEYNOTE

Hon. Gray Davis

37th Governor of California Co-Chair, Southern California Leadership Council

2:00 p.m.

WRAP-UP

Darin Chidsey

Interim Executive Director, SCAG

9th annual southern california economic summit

