



# Global Pathways for a Thriving Rural Workforce

March 8, 2024

Pennsylvania College of Technology, Williamsport, PA

## AGENDA

8:00 a.m. Registration Opens / Continental Breakfast in Penn's Inn Room

8:55 a.m. Zoom Opens (*Online Attendee Registration*)

Penn's Inn: (Zoom Link)	Room 205: (Zoom Link)	Room 201: (Zoom Link)
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<i>These three webinars will be livestreamed throughout the event for each room's scheduled panels.</i>		

9:00 a.m. Welcoming Remarks:

Penn's Inn:		
<u>Dr. Michael Reed</u> , President, Pennsylvania College of Technology	<u>Senator Gene Yaw</u> , Chairman, Center for Rural Pennsylvania Board of Directors	<u>Michael Hackett</u> , Foreign Service Officer, U.S. Department of State

9:30 a.m. *What You Need to Know About Visas and the Federal Government:*

Penn's Inn:
<u>Morgan O'Brien</u> , Industry Liaison, U.S. Department of State Bureau of Consular Affairs

*Please note: the views expressed by panelists do not necessarily reflect the views of the U.S. Department of State, World Learning, Center for Rural Pennsylvania, or any partnering organizations.*



10:15 a.m. **Concurrent Session 1:**

<p><b>Penn's Inn: Healthcare Panel</b></p>	<p><b>Room 205: Government Offices, Partnerships, and International Corporations Panel</b></p>	<p><b>Room 201: Higher Education/ International Students Panel</b></p>
<p><b><u>Lisa Stevenson, Esq.</u></b>, <i>Senior Associate Counsel, Corporate Legal Department, UPMC</i></p> <p><b><u>Dana Wucinski, Esq.</u></b>, <i>Board Counsel, Pennsylvania Department of State Boards of Medicine and Osteopathic Medicine</i></p> <p><b><u>Dr. Edward Naugle,</u></b> <i>Director, Primary Care Office, Pennsylvania Department of Health</i></p> <p><b><u>Dr. Whitfield Dwight Lewis,</u></b> <i>Physician, UPMC</i></p>	<p><b><u>David Briel,</u></b> <i>Deputy Secretary, Office of International Business Development, Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development</i></p> <p><b><u>Steven Stumbris,</u></b> <i>Director, Small Business Development Center, Bucknell University</i></p>	<p><b><u>Nic Cervantes,</u></b> <i>Director, U.S. Commercial Service Harrisburg, U.S. Department of Commerce</i></p> <p><b><u>Bill Keyes,</u></b> <i>Program Director, International House Philadelphia</i></p> <p><b><u>Dr. Jody Pritt,</u></b> <i>Assistant Vice Provost, International Student &amp; Scholar Advising (ISSA), Penn State</i></p> <p><b><u>Dagmara Karnowski,</u></b> <i>Interim Manager, International Student &amp; Scholar Advising (ISSA), Penn State</i></p>
<p><b><u>Moderator: Lisa Davis,</u></b> <i>Director, Pennsylvania Office of Rural Health</i></p>	<p><b><u>Moderator: Dr. Ted Alter,</u></b> <i>Professor and Co-Director, Center for Economic and Community Development, Penn State</i></p>	<p><b><u>Moderator: Dr. Laura Dimino,</u></b> <i>Assistant Director, Center for Rural Pennsylvania</i></p>

11:05 a.m. **Break**



**11:15 a.m. Concurrent Session 2:**

<p><b>Penn's Inn:</b> <i>Advanced Manufacturing Panel</i></p>	<p><b>Room 205:</b> <i>Comparative Perspectives: Pennsylvania and Canada Approaches to Immigration Panel</i></p>	<p><b>Room 201:</b> <i>Anchor Institutions Panel</i></p>
<p><b>Jason Fink,</b> <i>President/CEO, Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce</i></p> <p><b>Carl Marrara,</b> <i>Executive Director, Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Association</i></p> <p><b>Taka Yamauchi,</b> <i>President/CEO, SEKISUI KYDEX</i></p> <p><b>David Lanzer,</b> <i>Director of Operations, West Pharmaceutical Services</i></p>	<p><b>Sloane Davidson,</b> <i>Founder/CEO, Hello Neighbor Network (Pittsburgh)</i></p> <p><b>Daniel Cervan-Gil,</b> <i>Associate Director, Employer Initiatives, World Education Services (W.E.S.)</i></p>	<p><b>Dr. Deborah Diamond,</b> <i>Director, Anchor Economy, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia</i></p> <p><b>Brad Zdenek,</b> <i>Director, Economic Development and Student Programs, Penn State</i></p> <p><b>Dr. Elizabeth Wright,</b> <i>Chancellor, Penn State Hazleton</i></p>
<p><b>Moderator: Dr. Kyle Kopko,</b> <i>Executive Director, Center for Rural Pennsylvania</i></p>	<p><b>Moderator: Miguel Ruiz,</b> <i>Assistant Deputy Secretary, Pennsylvania Office of Policy and Planning</i></p>	<p><b>Moderator: Jonathan Johnson,</b> <i>Senior Policy Analyst, Center for Rural Pennsylvania</i></p>

**12:05 p.m. Lunch**

**12:25 p.m. Working Lunch Presentation - Resettlement and Integration Perspectives:**

<p><b>Penn's Inn:</b></p>		
<p><b>Tim Rivera,</b> <i>Senior Advisor, Innovation and Strategy, World Learning</i></p>	<p><b>Alex Beck,</b> <i>Welcoming Communities Manager, and Initiative Director, Southern Vermont Working Communities Initiative</i></p>	<p><b>Anuj Gupta,</b> <i>President/CEO, The Welcome Center (Philadelphia)</i></p>
<p><b>Moderator: Zoe Swarzenski</b></p>		

**1:10 p.m. Break**



**1:15 p.m. Concurrent Session 3:**

<p><b>Penn's Inn: Agriculture Panel</b></p>	<p><b>Room 205: Engaging Stigmatized Groups in the Labor Force Panel</b></p>
<p><b>Bob Morgan,</b> <i>Pennsylvania State Director, U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development</i></p> <p><b>David Baird,</b> <i>Director, Pennsylvania Migrant Education Program, Millersville University</i></p> <p><b>Luis Beltran,</b> <i>Regional Recruitment Coordinator, Pennsylvania Migrant Education Program, Millersville University</i></p>	<p><b>Dr. Doug Swanson,</b> <i>State Specialist, Labor and Workforce Development, University of Missouri Extension</i></p> <p><b>Craig Livermore,</b> <i>Co-Director, Midstate C.O.S.H., Council for Occupational Safety and Health</i></p>
<p><b>Moderator: Katie Park,</b> <i>Communications Manager, Center for Rural Pennsylvania</i></p>	<p><b>Moderator: Dr. Ted Alter,</b> <i>Professor and Co-Director, Center for Economic and Community Development, Penn State</i></p>

**2:05 p.m. Reconvene Together in Penn's Inn Room**

**2:15 p.m. Introduction to International Training:**

<p><b>Penn's Inn:</b></p>	
<p><b>Rachel Mauer,</b> <i>President, German American Chamber of Commerce, Pittsburgh Chapter</i></p>	<p><b>Dr. Justin Starr,</b> <i>Endowed Professor, Advanced Technologies, Community College of Allegheny County (CCAC)</i></p>
<p><b>Moderator: Alena Klimas,</b> <i>Advisor, Philanthropic Services, Tides Foundation</i></p>	

**3:00 p.m. Closing Remarks:**

<p><b>Penn's Inn:</b></p>
<p><b>Dr. Kyle Kopko,</b> <i>Executive Director, Center for Rural Pennsylvania</i></p>

**3:15 p.m. Networking Reception and Exhibitor Discussion in Penn's Inn Room**

**4:30 p.m. Departure**