

Meeting Agenda • December 9, 2011

U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis • 2nd Floor Conference Suite
1441 L Street NW • Washington, DC 20230

MORNING

- 8:30 a.m. Registration
- 9:00 a.m. Welcome and Introduction
B.K. Atrostic, Designated Federal Official
Matthew Shapiro, Chairperson
- 9:15 a.m. Updates by Agency Heads
Robert Groves, U.S. Census Bureau
Steven Landefeld, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis
Keith Hall, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
- 10:15 a.m. Remarks
Rebecca M. Blank, Acting Deputy Secretary, U.S. Department of Commerce
- 10:30 a.m. Break
- 11:00 a.m. Session 1: Interarea Price Indexes – Presentations
Paul Sullivan, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
Bettina Aten, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis
- 11:30 a.m. Session 1: Interarea Price Indexes – Discussions
Jay Breidt, Colorado State University
John Haltiwanger, University of Maryland
Open Discussion
- 12 noon Lunch Break

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AFTERNOON

- 1:00 p.m. **Session 2: Web Scraping 1 – External Presentations**
Hal Varian, Google
Roberto Rigobon, Alberto Cavallo; MIT Billion Price Project
Michael Cafarella, Margaret Levenstein, Matthew Shapiro;
University of Michigan
- 2:30 p.m. **Break**
- 3:00 p.m. **Session 2: Web Scraping 2 – Agency Presentations**
Michael Horrigan, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
Brent Moulton, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis
Robert Groves, U.S. Census Bureau
- 3:30 p.m. **Session 2: Web Scraping 3 – Discussion**
Ernst Berndt, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Kirk Wolter, NORC and University of Chicago
Open Discussion
- 4:00 p.m. **Public Comment Period**
- 4:15 p.m. **Meeting Summary, Future Priorities**
- 4:30 p.m. **Conclusion**