

U.S Department of Labor—Region 1 Employment and Training Administration (ETA) In Partnership with the Maine Department of Labor

"Workforce Information Driving Regional Economies"

Eastland Park Hotel - Portland, Maine

May 9-10, 2007

DESCRIPTION OF MEETING:

General areas and specific topics to be covered during the 1 1/2 day meeting (Full day Wednesday, 1/2 day Thursday) include:

- To make new and strengthen existing connections for workforce information activities
- To spur the creation of innovations as embodied in the Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development (WIRED) infrastructure
- To develop new expectations of workforce information that would make it both easier to access and use in comprehensive and creative ways that would be applied in regional economies by a broad array of entities including educators, economic developers, researchers, and private sector concerns
- To explore ways in which workforce information will fit into a broader scope that links information to WIRED efforts
- To highlight electronic tools which support the WIRED initiative such as WITS and LED
- To provide leadership, support, and tools needed to transform local areas into regional economies
- To locate information online please view www.Maine.gov/labor and/or www.doleta/usworkforce

TARGET AUDIENCE:

The conference and workshops are designed for Region 1 state staff, LMI Directors, State Leaders from Workforce Investment, Economic Development, Education, WIRED Grantees, WIBs, Census Bureau, Federal Reserve Bank, and Private Entities involved with workforce development

REGISTERING ATTENDANCE FOR THE MEETING:

Please fax or email a completed registration form to Linda J. Roy no later than April 20, 2007 (207-287-2947 or <u>Linda.J.Roy@Maine.gov</u>). The registration form accompanies this announcement. (Please note that registering for the conference and reserving a room at the hotel are separate and distinct.)



MEETING SITE AND HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:

The Eastland Park Hotel

157 High Street Portland, Maine 04101 207-775-5411 888-671-8008 Toll Free 207-775-2872 Fax www.eastlandparkhotel.com

A block of rooms has been reserved under the name *U.S. Department of Labor - Workforce Information Driving Regional Economies* at the federal per diem rate of \$82 per night, in addition to sales tax. Attendees should call the hotel at the number referenced above, identifying yourself as part of this group.

Reservations are the responsibility of each attendee and must be made no later than

April 15, 2007. After this date, special rates and/or availability cannot be guaranteed. In order to guarantee your room, please be sure to provide a major credit card when making your reservation. Room and tax charges, along with all incidental charges, are the responsibility of each individual and must be paid upon departure.

The meeting will begin on Wednesday, May 09, 2007 with registration from 8:00 – 8:30 AM in the hotel lobby. Welcoming remarks will begin at 8:30 AM.

CANCELLATIONS:

If for some reason you need to cancel your reservation, please call the hotel directly at 1-888-671-8008. Please note that any guaranteed reservations not canceled three days prior to the arrival date will be billed to the credit card.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING:

There is an independently owned Gateway Garage adjacent to the hotel on High Street. The hotel will reduce your overnight parking fee to \$11 for hotel guests with a validated parking ticket. If you move your car in and out before you are in for the evening you will be responsible for all the fees at \$1.25 per hour. Valet parking is also available for \$20 for a 24 hour period with full in/out privileges.

Directions to Eastland Park Hotel in Portland, Maine

The Eastland Park is located in the center of Maine's largest port city, just minutes from the Portland Jetport and the Portland International Ferry terminal. The Eastland is also convenient to Interstate 295 and the Maine Turnpike.

Driving Directions from I-95: Take I-95 toward New Hampshire / Maine (Portions toll) (Passing through New Hampshire – then crossing into Maine. Merge onto I-295 N via Exit 44 toward South Portland / Downtown Portland (Portions toll. Take Forest Ave. / US-1 S / ME-100 S Exit 6A. Turn right onto US-1 / ME-100 / Blue Star Memorial Hwy / Forest Ave. Continue to follow Forest Ave. Turn right onto Congress St. Turn right onto High St. End at Eastland Park Hotel.

For information on transportation to The Eastland Park Hotel from the airport, train or bus station, please visit www.transportme.org.

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(This conference will begin Wednesday morning)

Please type or print your information, as it should appear on each name badge. Each attendee needs to fill out a registration form. For questions call Linda Roy at 207-287-1249

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

First Name:		
Last Name:		
Organization:		
Γitle:		
Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
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Special Needs: Accessibility/	Disability/Assistance/ Dietary	

Registrations must be made no later than April 15™. Early registration is appreciated.

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PLEASE REMEMBER TO MAKE YOUR HOTEL RESERVATION
By April 15, 2007 - The Eastland Park Hotel at 1-888-671-8008

NOTE: By faxing/emailing this form, you are registering for the conference itself. Room reservations are made separately through the Eastland Park Hotel.