



**LIDEA Spring Membership Meeting: Setting the Legislative Agenda
March 17-18, 2010**

Crowne Plaza Baton Rouge, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Wednesday, March 17, 2010

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. LIDEA Curriculum Committee Meeting

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Registration (Crowne Plaza Baton Rouge)

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. LIDEA Communications Committee Meeting

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. LIDEA Business Retention & Expansion Committee Meeting

**5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Reception, Ringside at Sullivans Steakhouse
5252 Corporate Boulevard
Baton Rouge, LA 70808**

Thursday, March 18, 2010

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Registration & Networking Breakfast

9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Welcome & Louisiana Economic Development Update, Arthur Cooper, LIDEA President and Legislative Committee Chair

9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Louisiana Higher Education, Dr. Sally Clausen, Commissioner of Higher Education, LA Board of Regents

10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. BEOC/NIMSAT, Dr. Ramesh Kolluru, Executive Director of the National Incident Management Systems and Advanced Technologies (NIMSAT) Institute at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette

10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Commission on Streamlining Government, Senator John L. "Jack" Donahue, Jr.

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Lunch, Keynote Speaker: Current Status of Economic Development in Louisiana, Senator Michael J. "Mike" Michot

1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Federal Issues, Jeff Brooks, Partner, Special Business Services Practice Group Leader Partner in Charge, Adams & Reese, LLP

1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Innovation and Economic Development in Louisiana, Jason El Koubi, Director of the State Economic Competitiveness, Louisiana Economic Development

2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Update on EPA Air Initiatives, Secretary Peggy Hatch and Assistant Secretary Office of Environmental Compliance Paul Miller, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality

2:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Local and Regional Economic Development and Chamber Organizations Proposed Legislation Panel

3:00 p.m. - 3:05 p.m. Announcements and Meeting Adjournment, Arthur Cooper, LIDEA President

3:05 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. LIDEA Board of Directors Meeting