

Chris Murphy Announces Western Connecticut Economic Development Summit

Congressman Chris Murphy (CT-5) announced today that he will lead a forum, "Western Connecticut Economic Development Summit", on Monday, September 24 at 9am at the University of Connecticut-Waterbury.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – Congressman Chris Murphy (CT-5) announced today that he will lead a forum, "Western Connecticut Economic Development Summit", on Monday, September 24 at 9am at the University of Connecticut-Waterbury.

The summit will consist of three panels to discuss the challenges that Congressman Murphy believes must be addressed to secure the future of Connecticut's Fifth Congressional District. The three panels will address the future of manufacturing in Western Connecticut, expanding jobs through health care research and development, and positioning Western Connecticut to service the world. Panelists will be comprised of experts from the University of Connecticut, other academia, and the private sector. Waterbury Mayor Michael J. Jarjura is slated to attend. Time will be allotted for questions from the public after each panel discussion.

Below is the program for the summit (additional panelists possible):

Welcome

- Steve Lanza – Editor, Connecticut Economic Quarterly, University of Connecticut Department of Economics
- Congressman Chris Murphy

The Future of Manufacturing in Western Connecticut

- John Hanson – Director, UCONN Tech-Knowledge Portal
- James Lajewski – President, Luvata Waterbury
- Andrew J. Skok – Executive Director, Strategic Marketing, Fuel Cell Energy
- John Harrity – Grow Jobs Connecticut

Expanding Jobs through Health Care Research and Development

- Marc Lalande – Professor and Chair, Department of Genetics and Developmental Biology, Associate Dean for Research Planning and Coordination, University of Connecticut Health Center

- Peter Farina – Senior Vice President of Development for Boehringer Ingelheim
- Paul Pescatello – President & CEO, Connecticut United for Research Excellence

Positioning Western Connecticut to Service the World

- William Samuelson – Senior Vice President, Business and Professional Banking, Webster Bank
- Susan Winkler, Executive Director, Connecticut Insurance & Financial Services Cluster
- Professor from University of Connecticut

WHO: Congressman Chris Murphy (CT-5)

WHAT: Western Connecticut Economic Development Summit

WHEN: Monday, September 24, 2007

9am-12:30pm

WHERE: University of Connecticut-Waterbury, All-Purpose Room, 99 East Main Street, Waterbury, CT

Parking Instructions

Please park in the Scovill Street Garage.

For directions, <http://www.waterbury.uconn.edu/about/scovill.html>

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