



Highlighting Economic Development and Education in Maryland

Salisbury University, Guerrieri Academic Commons, 4th Floor, Assembly Hall (AC460)

October 26, 2018

11:30 am – 1:30 pm

Join us for the third installment in a series of conversations that highlight the positive impact of the partnership that exists in Maryland between our leaders in economic development and higher education. Throughout the nine counties of the Eastern Shore, robust partnerships between businesses, local governments, and our colleges and universities are yielding many positive results. Salisbury University and its Franklin P. Perdue School of Business are playing a vital role by supporting business and industry in the region. The Perdue School's Business, Economic, and Community Outreach Network (BEACON), its Small Business Development Center (SBDC), its Innovation Lab, its Entrepreneurship and Economic Development Hub, as well as other outreach programs from the University's other schools and colleges continue to be active agents in the region's economic growth.

11:30 am – 12:00pm **Registration and Networking**

12:00pm – 12:10pm **Welcome and Introductions**

Danny Thompson, Secretary, MEDA and Director,

Somerset Economic Development Commission

Thomas Sadowski, Vice Chancellor for Economic Development, USM

12:15pm – 12:45pm **Lunch**

12:45pm – 1:30pm **Program**

James D. Fielder, Ph.D., Secretary, Maryland Higher Education Commission

James Rzepkowski, Assistant Secretary, Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning, Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation

Michael Gill, Secretary, Maryland Department of Commerce

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