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GEORGIA’S WORKFORCE

The Innovating Georgia’s Workforce Pipeline Conference will bring together partners in workforce development, education, business and economic development to learn about promising practices and emerging ideas to build our state’s talent pipeline.

CONFERENCE 2019 AGENDA

- Registration & Networking—8:00–9:00 a.m.
- Welcome and Workforce Snapshot
- United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Innovation Center Update—Jacki Ponti-Lazaruk
- Breakout 1
  —Building Talent for Small Business
  —Leveraging Intermediaries to Build Workforce Partnerships
- Lunch and Keynote address—Dr. Connie Reimers-Hild
- Tabletop Conversations: What’s Working in Rural Georgia Workforce Development
- Breakout 2
  —Experiential Learning with Great Promise Partnership Case Study
  —A Community Approach to Development: A Case Study of Troup County and LaGrange
- Conclusion

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Dr. Connie Reimers-Hild

Connie Reimers-Hild is the founder of Wild Innovation, a consulting and coaching firm. She has served as the interim executive director and chief futurist at the Rural Futures Institute at the University of Nebraska and hosted the Rural Futures podcast. Reimers-Hild is a respected speaker in the areas of future-focused leadership and strategic foresight to strengthen innovation in individuals, communities and organizations.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Jacqueline Ponti-Lazaruk

Jacqueline Ponti-Lazaruk is the Chief Innovation Officer for USDA, Rural Development and leads the RD Innovation Office, which seeks to identify best practices and bring continuous improvement in program delivery to enhance the quality of life in rural communities. The office works to transform rural communities through strategic partnerships, data analytics and evaluation, regulatory reform and enterprise risk management.

WHEN? August 22, 2019
8:00 AM-3:30PM

COSTS? $50 registration per person.
Continental breakfast and lunch are included

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