Preliminary Agenda

**Tuesday, September 10 – Kimpton Marlowe Hotel (25 Edwin H Land Blvd)**

5:30pm  Registration Opens

6:00pm – 9:00pm  Cocktail Reception and Dinner

Welcome and Opening Remarks: Deborah Lucas, MIT

Keynote Speaker: Hon. Joshua Gotbaum, The Brookings Institution

**Wednesday, September 11 – Royal Sonesta Hotel (40 Edwin H Land Blvd)**

8:00am – 8:30am  Continental Breakfast

8:30am – 10:30am  Paper Session I: Improving Products and Institutions

*Paper 1:*  “Default Options and Retirement Saving Dynamics”

*Taha Choukhmane*  MIT and NBER

*Paper 2:*  “Is There a Demand for Reverse Mortgages in China? Evidence from Two Online Surveys”

*Hanming Fang*  University of Pennsylvania
*Katja Hanewald*  University of New South Wales
*Hazel Bateman*  University of New South Wales
*Shang Wu*  University of New South Wales

*Paper 3:*  “SeLFIES— A Globally Applicable Bond Innovation to Improve Retirement Funding and Support Other Policy Objectives”

*Robert Merton*  MIT
*Arun Muralidhar*  Mcube Investment Technologies LLC

*Session Discussant:*  James Choi  Yale University
10:30am – 10:50am  Break

10:50am – 12:20pm  Paper Session II: Sustainability and Efficiency

**Paper 1:**  “The Sustainability of State and Local Government Pensions: A Public Finance Approach”

Jamie Lenney  The Bank of England
Byron Lutz  Federal Reserve Board of Governors
**Louise Sheiner**  The Brookings Institution

**Paper 2:**  “Should the Government Be Paying Investment Fees on $3 Trillion of Tax-Deferred Retirement Assets?”

Mattia Landoni  Southern Methodist University
Stephen Zeldes  Columbia University

*Session Discussant:*  James Poterba  MIT

12:30pm – 1:30pm  Lunch

Presentation of awards and conversation with GCFP CDC Contest Winners

1:40pm – 2:50pm  Panel Discussion: Models for Public Pension Plan Reform

Greg Mennis  Pew Foundation
Sandy Matheson  MainePERS
Robert Pozen  MIT

3:00pm – 4:30pm  Paper Session III: Are Public Plan Investment Choices Different?

**Paper 1:**  “Reach for Yield by U.S. Public Pension Funds”

Lina Lu  Federal Reserve Bank of Boston
**Matthew Pritsker**  Federal Reserve Bank of Boston
Andrei Zlate  Federal Reserve Board of Governors
Kenechukwu Anandu  Federal Reserve Bank of Boston
James Bohn  Federal Reserve Bank of Boston

**Paper 2:**  “The Subsidy to Infrastructure as an Asset Class”

Aleksandar Andonov  University of Amsterdam
Joshua Rauh  Stanford University and Hoover Institution
Roman Kräussl  University of Luxembourg

*Session Discussant:*