

Spring	2021	Conference

Thursday, March 25, 2021

All times are in Eastern Standard Time.

Registration page: https://www.brookings.edu/events/bpea-spring-2021-conference/

10:00 AM The Sustainability of State and Local Government Pensions: A Public Finance Approach

Authors: Jamie Lenney, Bank of England; Byron Lutz, Federal Reserve Board of Governors; Finn Schüle,

Brown University; and Louise Sheiner, Brookings Institution

Discussants: Deborah Lucas, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; and Josh Rauh, Stanford Graduate

School of Business

11:00 AM Break

11:05 AM Panel: COVID-19 and Economic Policy after One Year

"Behavior and the Dynamic of Epidemics"

Andrew Atkeson, University of California, Los Angeles

"The Macroeconomic Policy Response to the Pandemic: The Good, The Bad, and the Ugly"

Christina Romer, University of California, Berkeley

"Supporting Workers and Families in the Pandemic Recession: Results in 2020 and Suggestions for 2021"

Krista Ruffini and Abigail Wozniak, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis

12:05 PM Break

12:10 PM Congruent Financial Regulation

Authors: Andrew Metrick, Yale School of Management; and Daniel Tarullo, Harvard Law School

Discussants: Viral Acharya, New York University Stern School of Business; and Hyun Song Shin, Bank for

International Settlements

1:10 PM Lunch Break

2:00 PM Panel: 50 years of Brookings Papers' Contributions to Macroeconomics and Policy

"BPEA and Monetary Policy Over 50 Years"

Alan Blinder, Princeton University

"Productivity and Growth Over the Years at BPEA"

Robert Gordon, Northwestern University

"The Brookings Panel's Contributions to Research on Labor Markets"

Robert Hall, Stanford Hoover Institution

3:00 PM Break

3:05 PM The Economic Costs of Pretrial Detention

Authors: Will Dobbie and Crystal Yang, Harvard University

Discussants: Conrad Miller, University of California, Berkeley; and Justin Wolfers, University of Michigan

4:10 PM Advanced Cognitive Skills Deserts in the United States

Author: Caroline Hoxby, Stanford University

Discussants: Erik Hurst, University of Chicago; and Brian Jacob, University of Michigan

5:10 PM Conference ends