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Tribes, Native Organizations and Federal Agencies Gather for Ground-Breaking Economic Summit

WASHINGTON - After more than a decade, economic policies which impact tribal communities will be systematically evaluated by interested stakeholders at a ground-breaking economic policy summit to be held in Phoenix, Arizona. The purpose of the Summit is to identify federal policies that have successfully stimulated tribal economies. Most importantly, the Summit will address persistent barriers through proactive policy enhancements.

Through the act of sharing information about successful programs and best practices, discussion facilitators will utilize the innovative approach called the "World Cafe" method to create dynamic networks of conversation. The aim of the discussion is to catalyze a community's own collective intelligence around its most important questions and possible answers.

Key Note Speakers:

Carl J. Artman, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Indian Affairs
Roger Campos, President and CEO, Minority Business Round Table

Additional Speakers Include:

Greg DuMontier, CEO, S&K Technologies
Michael Marchand, Chairman, Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation
Diane Enos, Chairwoman, Salt River Pima Maricopa
J. D. Colbert, President and CEO, Native American Bank
Kevin Gover, Professor of Law, Arizona State University
A. David Lester, Executive Director, Council of Energy Resource Tribes

Where: Hyatt Regency Hotel, 122 North 2nd St., Phoenix, Arizona

When: May 15-17, 2007

Press Conference will be held May, 17, 2007 at 12:30 p.m. MST in Curtis AB at the Hyatt Regency Hotel

CREDENTIALS: This invitation is extended to working media representatives who are required to display sanctioned media credentials for admittance to this event.

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