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TechNet Brings Together Tech and Legislative Leaders for Annual State Policy Conference

More than 30 state legislators meet in San Francisco for event featuring CEO Forum and major speeches from Utah Attorney General Sean Reyes and former Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa

Washington, D.C. — TechNet, the national, bipartisan network of innovation economy CEOs and senior executives, will host its annual state policy conference in San Francisco from December 6-8.

The conference brings together tech leaders and state government officials from across the nation to discuss key policy issues facing the tech industry and ways to spur innovation and job creation across America.

One of the highlights of the conference is a CEO Forum moderated by Kia Kokalitcheva of *Axios*, featuring CEOs and senior executives from Box, Postmates, Thumbtack, and Code for America.

CEO Forum Details

When: Wednesday, December 6, at 5:45 p.m. PT

Where: Thumbtack (1355 Market Street, San Francisco, CA)

Who: *Moderator: Kia Kokalitcheva — tech reporter at Axios*

- **Aaron Levie**, Co-founder, CEO & Chairman, Box
- **Bastian Lehmann**, CEO, Postmates
- **Marco Zappacosta**, Co-founder & CEO, Thumbtack
- **Jennifer Pahlka**, Founder and Executive Director, Code for America

What: The conversation will focus on the next generation of innovation and how tech can play an active role in identifying our country's most promising opportunities and solving its biggest challenges.

The conference will feature major speeches from Utah Attorney General Sean Reyes and former Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa. Additional panel discussions

will focus on topics including the future of work, fintech, artificial intelligence, and the gig economy.

“In state capitols across the country, debates focused on new and innovative technologies are unfolding that will have a major impact on job opportunities for Americans,” said Linda Moore, President & CEO of TechNet. **“At this conference, legislators and tech leaders have a forum to discuss these critical issues and ensure we are supporting solutions that promote job growth, foster innovation, and expand economic opportunities for all Americans.”**

Thirty-three legislators from Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Illinois, Nebraska, Nevada, North Carolina, Texas, Utah, and Washington have confirmed they will attend the conference.

Interested media are welcome to attend the CEO Forum on Wednesday, December 6. Please RSVP to: stefana@vrge.us

About TechNet

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