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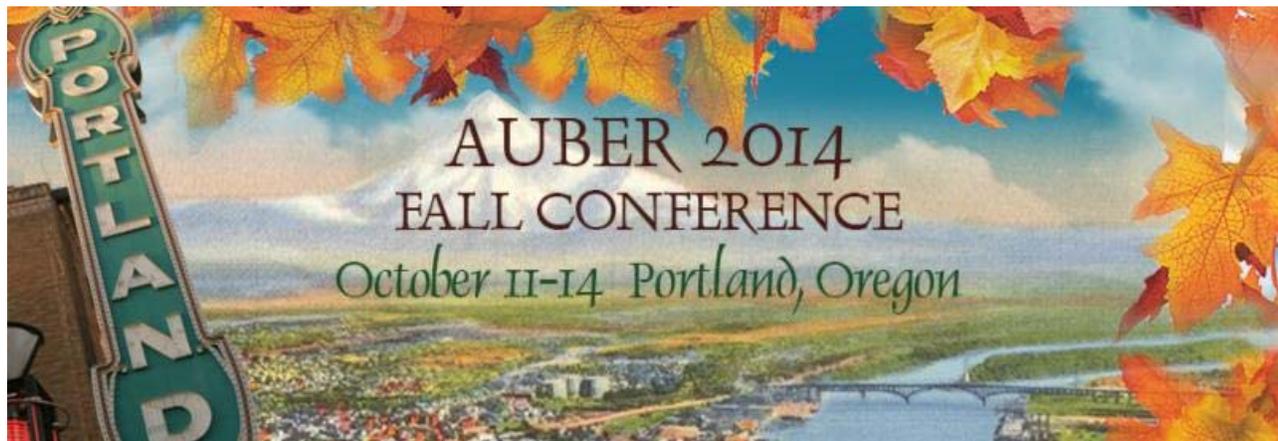
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**NEW MONTHLY
NEWSLETTER**

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

AUBER 2014 CONFERENCE



NEW AUBER NEWSLETTER

We would like to present our new AUBER newsletter. Instead of the quarterly newsletter in a pdf format, we will be producing a more interactive, monthly email containing some of the latest news and events in AUBER. We hope you will like our new format -- it will allow us to keep readers updated and informed on a month-to-month basis. Please feel free to contribute to our monthly newsletter. Whether it's news from your center, tidbits about the economy, or jobs openings that might be of interest, send them to shannon.furniss@business.umt.edu and we will get your news into our monthly email communication.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Eric Thompson

Is the economy getting less interesting? Steadier? More predictable? If so, that is good news for most people but could make the jobs of AUBER-unit faculty and staff a little more challenging. I have no doubt that we will keep identifying interesting trends and structural changes in our state and local economies. But, it will be a challenge to find changes as dramatic as we have seen over the last seven years.



The upcoming conference in Portland on October 11-14 will be a great opportunity to learn what our colleagues around the country have been doing and gain a few more insights into how the economy has been changing. The annual meetings were certainly invaluable to me during the "Great Recession" and the years that followed. The conference theme is "Regional Economic Realities: Connections, Choices and Challenges," so the conference will provide an opportunity to learn how different regional economies have adapted. We owe a debt of thanks to AUBER President-Elect Lorena Akioka from the University of Georgia for putting together a wonderful program and to conference host Tom Potiowsky of the Northwest Economic Research Center at Portland State University for putting together a great conference. I look forward to seeing all of you in Portland!



AUBER CONFERENCE 2014

Regional Economic Realities: Connections, Choices, Challenges

The fall conference will be held in Portland, Oregon from October 11-14 in the elegant downtown Portland hotel, the [Benson](#). Hosted by the Northwest Economic Research Center, College of Urban and Public Affairs, at Portland State University, the conference features three excellent keynote speakers. The Sunday Keynote Breakfast Address will feature **Robert Kleinhenz**, the chief economist of the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation's Kyser Center for Economic Research. The Keith Schwer Keynote Luncheon Address will feature **Richard Wobbekind**, the executive director of the Business Research Division and Senior Associate Dean for Academic Programs at the University of Colorado Boulder. **Diane Lim**, chief economist at the Pew Charitable Trusts, will be the Monday keynote speaker.



We appreciate the support of our sponsors: REMI, IIUSA, dataZoa, and Portland State University. [Find out more about the conference program.](#)

EViews 8 IN A PRODUCTION SETTING

A Workshop and Roundtable led by Duncan Meldrum
Saturday, October 11, 9-12
Benson Hotel, Portland
Cost \$50



We are offering an in-depth workshop open to the general public and AUBER Fall Conference attendees who want to extend and enhance their professional skills. This workshop on EViews 8 software will be both a presentation and an exchange of ideas on topics of interest to the Participants. [Register Today!](#)

FIELD RESEARCH

An In-Depth Analysis of the Economic Impact of the Oregon Wine Industry

Join us for an afternoon studying Oregon's wine industry. As part of the AUBER conference, we will be traveling to two Oregon wineries, **Stoller** and **Elk Cove**. We



will learn about the history of the vineyards and the wine business in Oregon.



COPAFS

Council of Professional Associations on Federal Statistics

The September COPAFS meeting, "Coming, Going, Being Born and Dying: Immigration and Vital Statistics," centered on vital statistics. [Here is a summary](#) of the meeting, which Bill Shobe, University of Virginia, forwarded to AUBER members. Thanks, Bill!



JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Economic Associate, Regional Economic Models, Inc. \(REMI\)](#)

REMI is seeking Economic Associates to expand our world-class economic policy analysis mission. We seek individuals who are devoted to our goal of informing policy-makers with rigorous, non-partisan economic analysis. The primary responsibility of this position is business development and sales of our proprietary model and services. REMI is looking for top academic performers who can effectively communicate the value of research-based analysis in the formulation of government policy.

[Director of Regional Economic Planning Services](#)

The W. E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research is seeking a Director of Regional Economic Planning Services. This position:

- Leads the Institute's west Michigan research and outreach effort including the production of the Institute's quarterly Business Outlook and presentations to local groups on regional economic issues
- Leads the Institute's Regional Technical Assistance Program that provides analysis and assistance to public and private entities focused on workforce development, economic development, and educational issues
- Administers the staff that assists with the above functions.

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