The Future of American Labor:
Initiatives for a New Era

Friday, Feb. 8, and Saturday Feb. 9, 2019
Georgetown University Law Center, Hart Auditorium
600 New Jersey Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C.

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AGENDA

Friday, Feb. 8
12:30 p.m.

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A LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY AGENDA FOR AMERICAN LABOR
Introduction: Randi Weingarten, President, American Federation of Teachers and Albert Shanker Institute
Rep. Pramila Jayapal (D-Wash.), Co-Chair of the Congressional Progressive Caucus

SECTORAL BARGAINING INTERNATIONALLY: WHAT ARE THE LESSONS FOR AMERICAN LABOR?
Harvey Bischof, President, Ontario Secondary School Teachers Federation, Canada
Karen Curtis, Deputy Director, International Labor Standards Department, ILO
Keith Ewing, Professor of Law, King’s College London
John Hendy, General Counsel, UK Institute for Employment Rights
Carolyn Jones, Director UK Institute for Employment Rights
Cecilia Nahón, Executive Director, Model G20 Initiative, American University School of International Service; Former Ambassador of Argentina to the United States
Moderator: Sandra Polaski, Independent Expert; former Deputy Director General, ILO

SECTORAL BARGAINING: AMERICA’S PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE
Kate Andrias, Professor of Law, University of Michigan Law School
Craig Becker, General Counsel, AFL-CIO
Sarita Gupta, Co-Executive Director, Jobs with Justice
Bob King, Former President, The International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America
Chris Shelton, President, Communications Workers of America
Moderator: Larry Cohen, Former President, Communications Workers of America

A LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY AGENDA FOR AMERICAN LABOR: PART II
Introduction: Lorretta Johnson, Secretary Treasurer, American Federation of Teachers
Rep. Andy Levin (D-Mich), Vice Chair, House Education and Labor Committee

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Saturday, Feb. 9

9:30 a.m. Bagels and Coffee

10:00 a.m.

PUBLIC SECTOR UNIONISM MOVES FORWARD IN THE WAKE OF JANUS
Mary Kay Henry, President, Service Employees International Union
Becky Pringle, Vice President, National Education Association
Lee Saunders, President, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees
Randi Weingarten, President, American Federation of Teachers
Moderator: Harold Meyerson, Executive Editor, The American Prospect

Lunch Session: TEACHER INSURGENCY: WHAT ARE THE STRATEGIC CHALLENGES?
Mary Best, President, AFT-Oklahoma
Leo Casey, Executive Director, Albert Shanker Institute
Elizabeth Davis, President, Washington Teachers’ Union
Juan Ramirez, Vice President, United Teachers of Los Angeles (UTLA)
Moderator: Kate Bronfenbrenner, Director of Labor Education Research, Senior Lecturer, Cornell University's School of Industrial and Labor Relations

ORGANIZING MILLENNIALS USING DIGITAL COMMUNICATION TOOLS
Aneta Molenda, Digital Director, Organization United for Respect (OUR)
Brent McDonnell, Georgetown Alliance of Graduate Employees, AFT (GAGE)
Kristen Zeis, Photojournalist, Virginian-Pilot, Norfolk; member, Tidewater Media Guild, The NewsGuild-CWA
Mark Zuckerman, President, The Century Foundation
Moderator: Frederika McClary, Director of Healthcare Organizing, American Federation of Teachers