



Navigating Trust, AI & Storytelling in a World of Data

Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis
Oct. 1, 2026

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. CT **Breakfast**

9:00 a.m. CT



Opening Remarks

Federal Reserve Governor
Christopher J. Waller

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. CT **Session 1: Gen AI**

Moderator: **Brian Quistorff**, Chief Data Scientist, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

Panel: **Jacob LaRiviere**, Chief Economist, AWS & Director of Economics and Science, Amazon
Arvind Rajagopalan, Vice President – Data and AI, FedEx
Ara Kharazian, Lead Economist, Ramp

Break

10:40 a.m. CT  *Livestream Only: Demo of FRED's MCP Connector*

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. CT **Session 2: Trust in Data**

Moderator: **Erica L. Groshen**, Senior Economics Advisor, Cornell-ILR and former Commissioner
US Bureau of Labor Statistics

Panel: **Chris Glynn**, Head of Data Science, Indeed.com
Aidan Smith, Acting Chief, Economic Indicators Division at U.S. Census Bureau
Dulguun Batbold, Senior Global Economist, Visa
Kathrin Ellieroth, FRED data provider and professor, Colby College

12:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. CT **Lunch**

1:15 p.m. - 2:15 p.m. CT **Session 3: Storytelling**

Moderator: **Dan Rosenheck**, Data Editor, The Economist

Panel: **Peter Santilli**, Visual Editor, The Wall Street Journal
Kyla Scanlon, Economic Commentator and Author of NY Times Bestseller, *In This Economy?*
Diego Mendez-Carbajo, FRED Data Champion, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis
Kaitlyn Hoevelmann, Producer, Bloomberg TV

Break

2:25 p.m. CT  *Livestream Only: Demo of FRED's MCP Connector*

2:45 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. CT **Session 4: Accessible for All**

Moderator: **Nick Hart**, President and CEO, The Data Foundation

Panel: **Nicole Kagan**, Head of Research, Kalshi
Keith Taylor, Group Vice President of Research Information Services,
Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis
Craig Hammer, Data Development Group Manager, World Bank

3:45 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. CT **Closing**

Keith Taylor, Group Vice President of Research Information Services, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis