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Second Annual Garden State Economic Forum Features Region's Leading Economists

TRENTON – The state of the New Jersey economy will be discussed by some of the region's top economists at the second annual Garden State Economic Forum sponsored by the New Jersey Treasury Department's Office of the Chief Economist and the Office of Revenue and Economic Analysis.

The forum will be held on Nov. 13, 2012, at the New Jersey State Museum Auditorium in Trenton. Speakers will discuss the progress the state has made in its economic recovery to date and the policies that are needed to ensure continuing growth.

The speakers will include Tracye McDaniel, president and CEO of Choose New Jersey; Dr. Joseph Seneca, University Professor of Economics at the Bloustein School at Rutgers University; Dr. John Silvia, Chief Economist for Wells Fargo; Dr. Andrew Haughwout, vice president of the research and statistics group at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, and David Kotok, co-founder and chief investment officer of Cumberland Advisors of Vineland.

Panelists will include Richard Bagger, senior vice president of Celgene and former chief of staff to Governor Chris Christie; Dr. Joel Naroff, president and founder of Naroff Economic Advisers, and Dr. Steve Cochrane, managing director of Moody's Analytics.

State Treasurer Andrew Sidamon-Eristoff and Treasury Chief Economist Dr. Charles Steindel will moderate panel discussions during the forum. The event is free and open to the public.

"The participants will be presenting a wide range of well-informed views on the state of the New Jersey economy, and we expect a spirited discussion of the challenges New Jersey faces and the progress it has made," said Dr. Steindel.

The program for the forum can be viewed at: http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/economics/documents/OREA_2012_Conference.pdf

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