



Join the Ohio Urban University Program (UUP) for the first in a series of discussions with experts on timely topics affecting the State of Ohio's fiscal future.

**ABOUT THIS FORUM**

The forum will review the effect of the credit crisis on the municipal bond market and local government access to capital. The speakers will also explore innovative financing tools and credit enhancements, and how new bond financing tools and strategies can bring greater efficiencies to a post-credit crunch bond market and boost economic opportunities in Ohio.



The UUP Forums in Columbus are brought to you by the Ohio Urban University Program (UUP), a program of the University System of Ohio and the Ohio General Assembly. The UUP is a unique network linking the resources of Ohio's urban universities with the communities and students they serve, in a cooperative effort to boost economic development efforts in the state's urban regions.

**QUESTIONS**

Registration—Barbara Benevento at 216.687.2188 or b.benevento@csuohio.edu.

UUP Forum Programs in Columbus—Claudette Robey at 216.687.2188.

**"Innovative Bond Finance in a Credit Crisis"**

**Tuesday, January 27, 2009**

The Athletic Club of Columbus, OH | Crystal Room  
136 East Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43215  
4:00-5:30 p.m. with reception immediately following  
Check in for the forum begins at 3:30 p.m.

**REGISTRATION**

[http://urban.csuohio.edu/uup/forum\\_01\\_27\\_09.html](http://urban.csuohio.edu/uup/forum_01_27_09.html)

**Participants:**

- LEE FISHER, Lt. Governor, State of Ohio
- PARI SABETY, Director, Ohio Office of Budget and Management (invited)

**Panelists:**

- RAYMOND C. HEADEN, Bond, Structured, and Public Finance Practice Group, Brickler & Eckler L.L.P., Columbus, Cincinnati, and throughout Ohio. General counsel to the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers (NASACT), an umbrella association of state elected or appointed chief financial officers, and bond, underwriters' and disclosure counsel to issuers and investors of municipal bonds.
- KEVIN O'BRIEN, Executive Director, Great Lakes Environmental Finance Center, Center for Public Management, Ohio Urban University Program, College Fellow, Levin College of Urban Affairs, Cleveland State University. Professional expertise in the areas of public and environmental finance, public management, and economic development. A member of the U.S. EPA Environmental Finance Advisory Board, and formerly with Moody's Investors Service on Wall Street in New York.
- MICHAEL CURLEY, Founder and Executive Director, International Center for Environmental Finance, Lutherville, Maryland. A pioneer in the financial guaranty insurance industry, working nationally and internationally to develop financial systems for environmental infrastructure. A member of the U.S. EPA Environmental Finance Advisory Board.