



Minnesota Economic Association

2016 Annual Conference

Election Year Economics

**Hamline University
Sundin Music Hall**

**St. Paul, Minnesota
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MEA Program

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8:30 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. Welcome and Introductory Comments

Gary Krueger, Macalester College, MEA President

9:15 a.m. Heller Distinguished Lecture

Steven Durlauf, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Some Microfoundations for the Great Gatsby Curve

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. Morning Session

Tom Holmes, University of Minnesota
Scale Economies in International Trade

11:45 a.m. Luncheon – Klas Center, Kay Fredericks Room, 3rd Floor

12:30 p.m. Presentation of Awards

12:45 p.m. Business Meeting

Treasurer's Report (Keith Gilsdorf)
Election of Officers (Karmi Mattson)

1:00 p.m. Luncheon Speaker

Chris Farrell, American Public Media
Election Year Economics

2:10 p.m. The Future of Solar Energy: Regulatory and Technological Challenges

Session Moderator: **Gary Krueger**

Panelists:

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Aaron Swoboda, Carleton College Economics Department

James Doyle, Macalester College Physics Department

3:20 p.m. Closing Remarks and Adjournment

Amil Petrin, University of Minnesota, incoming MEA President