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## **Southeastern & Southwest Intergovernmental Audit Forums Biloxi, MS**

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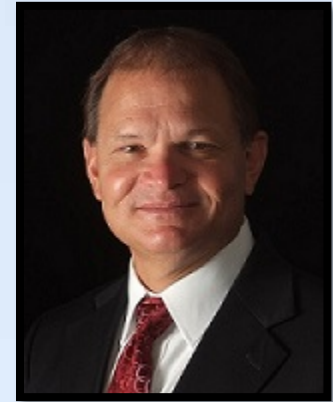




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## **General Information**

### **Monday, September 16**

10:00a – 4:00 pm Conference Registration at the Visitor’s Center

6:00p – 8:00 pm Opening Reception at the Biloxi Visitor’s Center

## **CPE Technical Program**

### **Monday, September 16**

11:30 am–12:30 pm Lunch for CPE Technical Program Participants

12:30 - 2:10 pm Computer Assisted Auditing Techniques  
*Beth Pendergrass, Legislative Audit Manager, Tennessee  
Comptroller of the Treasury*  
*David Ashley, Director of EDP Division, Mississippi Office of the  
State Auditor*

2:10 - 2:30 pm Break

2:30 - 4:10 pm Computer Assisted Auditing Techniques (continued)  
*Beth Pendergrass, Legislative Audit Manager, Tennessee  
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*David Ashley, Director of EDP Division, Mississippi Office of the  
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## **General Program**

### **Tuesday, September 17**

8:00 – 8:30 am Continental Breakfast and Registration (Registration will be open until 4:00pm)

8:30 – 8:50 am **Welcome/Announcements**  
*Stacey E. Pickering, Mississippi State Auditor*  
*A. J. Holloway, Mayor of Biloxi*  
*Daryl G. Purpera, Louisiana Legislative Auditor, SWIAF Chair*  
*Leslie Ward, City Auditor, Atlanta, SEIAF Chairwoman*


8:50 – 10:00 am Keynote Presentation: Perspectives on Fiscal and Performance Challenges Facing Government  
*Gene L. Dodaro, Comptroller General of the United States*  
Governments at all levels continue to face a wide range of management challenges made greater by the combination of slow economic growth and constrained resources. The Comptroller General will discuss a number of these financial, management and fiscal challenges and what GAO's work has suggested for moving forward.

10:00 – 10:30 am Networking Break with Gene L. Dodaro

10:30 – 11:20 am Impact and Status of the Sequester/ Fiscal Dialogue on Auditing Under Fiscal Constraints  
*Michelle A. Sager, Acting Director, Strategic Issues, U.S. Government Accountability Office*

11:20 – 12:30 pm Data Analytics – Getting and Using Reliable Data  
*Kelly Todd*  
*Forensic Strategic Solutions, Inc*

12:30 – 1:30 pm Lunch



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## **Tuesday, September 17 (continued)**

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| 1:30 – 2:45 pm | Auditing in Education: Bringing Accountability to One of Government's Largest Budget Costs<br><i>Kathleen S. Tighe, Inspector General, U.S. Department of Education</i><br><i>Stacey E. Pickering, Mississippi State Auditor</i><br><i>Daryl G. Purpera, Louisiana Legislative Auditor</i> |
| 2:45 – 2:55 pm | Break  |
| 2:55 – 3:45 pm | Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: Government Auditing in a Period of New Federal and State Roles in Health Insurance Coverage<br><i>John E. Dicken, Director, Health Care U.S. Government Accountability Office,</i>   |
| 3:45 – 4:35 pm | Auditor Independence<br><i>Jerry Durham, Technical Manager, Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury</i>  |
| 6:00 – 8:00 pm | Networking and Reception   |

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## **Wednesday, September 18**

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| 8:00 – 8:30 am   | Continental Breakfast and Registration (registration open until 1:30 pm)   |
| 8:30 – 9:50 am   | After the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill: Oversight of Funds from the Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Trust Fund<br><i>Donna Joseph, Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Financial Audits, US Department of the Treasury, Office of the Inspector General</i><br><i>Eileen Kao, Audit Manager, US Department of the Treasury, Office of the Inspector General</i><br><i>Marvin Bickham, Criminal Investigator, US Department of the Treasury, Office of the Inspector General</i> |
| 9:50 – 10:00 am  | Break  |
| 10:00 – 11:30 am | Auditing Economic Development Incentives: Making Government and the Private Sector Accountable for Taxpayer Dollars<br><i>Leslie Ward, Atlanta City Auditor</i><br><i>Krista Baker-Hernandez, Senior Performance Auditor, Louisiana Legislative Auditor</i><br><i>William Leonards, Senior Performance Auditor, Louisiana Legislative Auditor</i><br><i>Sam Atkinson, Director, Performance Audit Division, Mississippi Office of the State Auditor</i>                            |
| 11:30 – 12:30 pm | Closing Lunch  |



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**Afternoon Technical CPE**

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| 12:30 – 1:40 pm | Disaster Auditing and Recovery: Lessons Learned from Some of America’s Worst Disasters<br><i>Sam Hurst, Horne CPA</i>                       |
| 1:40 – 1:50 pm  | Break   |
| 1:50 - 3:00 pm  | Conducting Effective Audit Interviews<br><i>Melinda Crutchfield, Training Officer, Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury</i>                |
| 3:00 – 3:10 pm  | Break   |
| 3:10 – 4:30 pm  | Post Emergency Fraud Auditing<br><i>Wayne McElrath, Director, Forensic Audits and Investigative Service, U.S. Government Accountability</i> |



