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MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2014
Investing in Science, Technology and Industry
Subject: The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) will host a briefing to discuss the OECD’s Science, Technology and Industry Scoreboard 2013 and Supporting Investment in Knowledge Capital.
Participants: Andrew Wyckoff, Director, OECD Directorate for Science, Technology and Industry; and Alistair Nolan, Senior Policy Analyst, OECD Directorate for Science, Technology and Industry.
Time and Location: 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.; 2325 Rayburn HOB.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2014
Science Assets and Capital
Subject: The Information Technology & Innovation Foundation (ITIF) will host an event titled, “The Role of Intangible, Knowledge-based Capital in Economic Growth” to discuss what nations are investing in the most intangible assets and which have the most intangible capital.
Participants: Robert D. Atkinson, President, ITIF; Kenan Patrick Jarboe, President, Athena Alliance; Alistair Nolan, Senior Economist, OECD; and Andrew Wyckoff, Director of Science, Technology and Industry, OECD.
Time and Location: 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.; ITIF, 1101 K Street, NW, Suite 610A, Washington, DC.
Contact: Register at: http://www.itif.org/node/5226/signups.

House Subcommittee Hearing on Research at the Smithsonian
Subject: The House Committee on Science, Space and Technology’s Subcommittee on Research and Technology will hold a hearing titled, “Scientific Research at the Smithsonian-More Than a Museum.”
Participants: Dr. G. Wayne Clough, Secretary, Smithsonian Institution; Dr. Eva Pell, Under Secretary for Science, Smithsonian Institution; and Dr. Kirk Johnson, Director, National Museum of Natural History.
Time and Location: 2:00 p.m.; 2318 Rayburn HOB.
Contact: For inquiries about the hearing, call: 202.225.6371.

NSF Advisory Committee Meeting
Subject: The National Science Foundation (NSF) holds a meeting of the Advisory Committee for Computer and Information Science and Engineering to advise NSF on the impact of its policies, programs and activities.
Time and Location: 3:00 p.m.; NSF, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 375, Arlington, VA.
Contact: For inquiries on the meeting contact Carmen Whitson at 703.292.8900.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2014
NONE.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2014
HELP Hearing on TRIO and GEAR UP
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 106 Dirksen SOB.
Contact: For inquiries about the hearing, call: 202.224.5375.

Students Engagement in STEM
Subject: STEM Connector will host a Town Hall webinar titled, “STEM Competitions: A Closer Look” to discuss the emerging competitions that students can engage in to explore the STEM fields.
Time: 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Contact: Register at: https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07e8rkb3520900eef&oseq=&c=&ch=

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2014
NONE.

On The Floor This Week

Senate Floor:
S.1845 – Unemployment Insurance Extension Act
**H.J.Res.** – Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2014, and for other purposes

Legislation Related to Funding Government Operations for the Remainder of Fiscal Year 2014

**House Floor:**

**H.J.Res.** – Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2014, and for other purposes

**H.R. 3362** – Exchange Information Disclosure Act

Legislation Related to Funding Government Operations for the Remainder of Fiscal Year 2014

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**Bills to Watch**

**FY2014 APPROPRIATIONS**

**H.R. 2775**
Continuing Appropriations Act, 2014 (*signed by President 10/17/13; passed by House of Representatives and Senate 10/16/13*).

**H.J.Res. 59**
Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2014 (*9/28/13 passed by the House of Representatives; 9/27/13 passed by the Senate; 9/20/13 passed by House of Representatives*).

**S.1329**
Departments of Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies Act, 2014 (*7/18/13 passed by Senate Appropriations Committee, 7/16/13 passed by Senate CJS Appropriations Subcommittee*).

**S.1284**
Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2014 (*7/11/13 passed by Senate Appropriations Committee; 7/9/13 passed by Senate LHHS Appropriations Subcommittee*).

**H.R. 2787**
Continuing Appropriations Act, 2014 (*7/8/13 passed by House CJS Appropriations Subcommittee; 7/17/13 passed by House Appropriations Committee*).

**S.Con.Res.8**
Setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2014 (*3/23/13 passed by Senate; 3/14/13 passed by Senate Budget Committee*).

**H.Con.Res.25**
Establishing the budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2014 (*3/21/13 passed by House; 3/13/13 passed by House Budget Committee*)

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http://majorityleader.gov/calendar/113thCongressFirstSession.pdf

U.S. Senate 2013 Schedule:
http://www.senate.gov/pagelayout/legislative/one_item_and_teasers/2013_schedule.htm

U.S. Senate Budget Committee: http://www.budget.senate.gov
U.S. House Budget Committee: http://www.house.gov/budget
Congressional Budget Office: http://www.cbo.gov
Federal legislative information: http://thomas.loc.gov

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