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This Week in Washington, a weekly publication of WPLLC, provides an overview of upcoming events in Washington, D.C. that are relevant to CUR’s interests. Please use the bookmarks below to navigate to your area of interest.

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Weekly Calendar

MONDAY, JANUARY 19, 2015
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day—Federal Holiday.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2015
State of the Union Address
Subject: President Obama will deliver his sixth annual State of the Union (SOTU) Address to the nation.
Time and Location: 9:00 p.m.; U.S. House of Representatives.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2015
House Education and the Workforce Committee Organizational Meeting
Subject: The House Education and the Workforce Committee will hold an organizational meeting to discuss the adoption of committee rules and approval of an oversight plan.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 2175 Rayburn HOB.
Contact: For inquiries about the meeting, contact: 202.226.9440.

House Science Committee Business Meeting
Subject: The House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology will hold a business meeting to discuss the adoption of committee rules and approval of an oversight plan.
Time and Location: 11:00 a.m.; 2318 Rayburn HOB.
Contact: For inquiries about the meeting, contact: 202.225.6371.

Big Data and Science
Subject: The National Science Foundation (NSF) will host a webinar, “Big Data, Data Science, and Other Buzzwords that Really Matter.”
Participant: Michael Franklin, UC Berkeley Computer Science.
Time: 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Contact: Register at: https://nsf.webex.com/mw0307l/mywebex/default.do?service=1&siteurl=nsf&nomenu=true&main_url=%2Fmc0806l%2Fe.do%3Fsiteweb%26AT%3DMIT%26EventID%3D306496587%26UID%3D0%26Host%3Db74f84582a4d4b3b0b1818%26RG%3D1%26FrameSet%3D2.

Subseasonal Forecasts Briefing
Subject: Columbia University’s Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory and International Institute for Climate and Society are hosting a briefing on “Subseasonal to Interannual Forecasts,” sponsored by the U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation.
Participants: Lisa Goddard, director, the International Research Institute for Climate and Society; Richard Seager, Lamont Research Professor, Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory; Adam Sobel, professor, Earth and Environmental Sciences, Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory; and Sean Solomon, director, Lamont-Doherty Early Observatory.
Time and Location: 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.; 215 SVC.
Contact: RSVP to: jwidder@federalsciencepartners.com.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 2015

Representative John Kline on Education Reform
Subject: The American Enterprise Institute (AEI) will host an event, “Education reform in the 114th Congress: A Conversation with Representative John Kline.”
Participants: Representative John Kline (R-MN); and Frederick M. Hess, resident scholar, AEI.
Time and Location: 8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.; 1150 17th Street, NW, 12th Floor, Washington, DC.

House Budget Committee Organizational Meeting
Subject: The House Committee on the Budget will hold an organizational meeting.
Time and Location: 9:30 a.m.; 210 Cannon HOB.
Contact: For inquiries about the meeting, contact: 202.226.7270.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 2015

NSF Administrative Burdens Working Group
Subject: The National Science Foundation (NSF) will hold a teleconference for the working group on administrative burdens.
Time: 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Contact: RSVP to Jacqueline Meszaros at: jmeszaro@nsf.gov.

MPS Advisory Committee Meeting
Subject: The National Science Foundation (NSF) will hold a virtual meeting of the Advisory Committee for the Directorate of Mathematical and Physical Sciences.
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
NSF Committee on Education and Human Resources

Subject: The National Science Foundation (NSF) will hold a teleconference for the Committee on Education and Human Resources.

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Contact: RSVP to Jacqueline Meszaros at: jmeszaro@nsf.gov.

On The Floor This Week

Senate Floor:
S. 1 – Keystone XL Pipeline Act

House Floor:
H.R. 36 – Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act
H.R. 161 – Natural Gas Pipeline Permitting Reform Act

Links for Up-to-Date Information on Hearings, Legislation, and Events


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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