2024 ECONOMIC FORECAST

VIRTUAL PROGRAM

February 27, 2024
INTERCONTINENTAL
LOS ANGELES DOWNTOWN
TODAY’S PROGRAM

7:30AM - 8:30AM | Exhibitors & Networking
8:30AM - 8:50AM | Welcome Remarks
8:50AM - 9:05AM | LAEDC Economic Forecast
9:05AM - 9:25AM | Opening Keynote Address
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10:45AM - 11:00AM | Networking Break
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BUILDING SOLUTIONS
Tackling Los Angeles’ Housing Crisis through Innovative Development

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NAVIGATING THE SHIFT
Economic Strategies for Clean Energy Adoption

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Regional Synergy for Economic Growth in LA

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