

FFC/2024: The 25th Federal Forecasters Conference

- Date:** Thursday, May 23, 2024
- Location:** **U.S. Department of the Treasury**
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC
(Registration details to follow)
- Schedule:** 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
(Plenary and concurrent session schedule to follow)
- Abstract Submissions Due:** March 22, 2024 to Andy.Roche-DeJesus@irs.gov
- Additional Information:** <http://www.federalforecasters.org>

Conference Theme: Forecasting Under Rapid Change with Extreme Events

Forecasters increasingly produce forecasts in rapidly changing environments with extreme and uncertain events. Examples of recent events include global pandemics, international conflicts, shifting trade relations, migrations, financial and economic crises, and an evolving climate with weather disasters. Whether these events impact individuals or societies, each of these events presents unique challenges to forecasters and can induce major policy responses that require new methods and alternative data sources. They can also evolve rapidly in unanticipated ways that require regular monitoring. The 2024 Federal Forecasters Conference will consider how different forecasters have developed approaches to monitor and forecast rapidly changing extreme events. What methods and data sources are useful for forecasting in a rapidly changing environment? How do you convey uncertainty and risks to policymakers so that they can quickly and appropriately make informed decisions?

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CALL FOR PAPERS

The FFC Board invites you to present a paper at one of the afternoon concurrent sessions. Please note, papers are not restricted to the official conference theme and may cover any subject relating to forecasting or estimation. Presentations will be in person only. Individual presentations will be limited to 15 to 20 minutes in length. Please send your abstract of 100 or fewer words to: Andy.Roche-DeJesus@irs.gov with the subject "FFC Abstract Submission" by March 22, 2024.

Suggested Presentation Topics for the Afternoon Sessions

- **Scenario analysis as forecasts in policy-making**
- **Forecast evaluations**
- **Case studies: Using forecasts in policy decision making**
- **Forecast methodologies**
- **Forecast process: How can it be improved?**
- **Forecasting with limited resources**
- **Federal forecasters and their customers**
- **General topics in forecasting**

FFC Forecasting Contest

Stay tuned for more details about the FFC forecasting contest, including a link to the submission form. The contest is open to everyone. For more information contact: Sloboda.Brian.W@dol.gov.

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