U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Ethics

EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the Annual Financial Disclosure Statements of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, 135 Cannon House Office Building, within 15 days after travel is completed. Please do not file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Michelle Dorothy

2. a. Name of accompanying relative: ____________________________ or None
   b. Relationship to Traveler: [ ] Spouse [ ] Child [ ] Other (specify): ____________________________

   b. Dates at personal expense (if any): ____________________________ or None


5. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): Center Forward

6. Describe meetings and events attended: Panels and speeches on healthcare reform, tax reform, national security, and redistricting

7. Attached to this form are EACH of the following (signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box):
   a. [ ] a completed Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form;
   b. [ ] the Primary Trip Sponsor Form completed by the trip sponsor prior to the trip, including all attachments and Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms;
   c. [ ] page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the employee; and
   d. [ ] the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.

8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. (Signify that statement is true by checking box): [ ]
   b. If not, explain: ____________________________________________________________

I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

SIGNATURE OF TRAVELER: ____________________________ DATE: 4.5.17

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure form were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

NAME OF SUPERVISING MEMBER: ____________________________ DATE: 4.5.17

SIGNATURE OF SUPERVISING MEMBER: ____________________________

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Committee on Ethics

SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within 10 days of their return. You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee’s travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): Center Forward

2. Travel Destination(s): Middleburg, VA

3. Date of Departure: 3/24/17 Date of Return: 3/26/17

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Michelle Dorothy, Austin Durrer
   (NOTE: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if all information is identical for each person listed.)

5. Actual amount of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in response to Question 4:

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6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. (Signify statement is true by checking box): ☑

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: ____________________________
Name: April Beerman
Title: Program Director
Organization: Center Forward

I am an officer of the above-named organization (signify statement is true by checking box): ☑

Address: 1440 G St, NW
Washington, DC 20005
Telephone number: (202) 550-4325
Email Address: april@center-forward.org

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at (202) 225-7103.
U.S. House of Representatives
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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Michelle Dorothy

2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): Center Forward

3. Travel destination(s): Middleburg, VA

4. a. Date of departure: March 24, 2017 Date of return: March 26, 2017
   b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? □ Yes □ No
      If yes, dates at personal expense:

5. a. Will you be accompanied by a relative at the sponsor's expense? □ Yes □ No
   b. If yes:
      (1) Name of accompanying relative:
      (2) Relationship to traveler: □ Spouse □ Child □ Other (specify):
      (3) Accompanying relative is at least 18 years of age: □ Yes □ No

6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(d) on the Primary Trip Sponsor Form (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent and you are requesting lodging for two nights)? □ Yes □ No
   b. If yes, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:

7. Primary Trip Sponsor Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms: □ Yes □ No
   NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.

8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.
   This is a rare, much-needed forum for Dems and Rs to collaborate on issues impacting San Diegans. I am the chief of staff and handle financial services, housing, and telecom policy for the office.

9. Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, and/or arranging the trip? □ Yes □ No

10. FOR STAFF TRAVELERS:
    TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR EMPLOYING MEMBER:

    ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

    I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

    Date: February 15, 2017

    Signature of Employing Member
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Ethics

PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a Traveler Form at least 30 days before the start date of the trip. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee Web site (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee’s Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1. Sponsor (who will be paying for the trip):
   Center Forward

2. I represent that the trip will not be financed (in whole or in part) by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☑

3. Check only one: I represent that:
   a. the primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip ☑ or
   b. the trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds ☑ or
   c. the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities. ☐

   If “c” is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors:

4. Provide names and titles of ALL House Members and employees you are inviting. For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary): Please see attachment.

5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying relative of the House invitee(s)? ☑ Yes ☐ No

6. Date of departure: March 24, 2017 Date of return: March 26, 2017

7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC
   b. Destination(s): Middleburg, VA
   c. City of return: Washington, DC

8. I represent that (check one of the following):
   a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: ☑ or
   b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent: ☑ or
   c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event and lobbyist/foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was de minimis under the Committee’s travel regulations. ☐

9. Check one of the following:
   a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above: ☑
   b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging: ☐
   c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night: ☑ or
   d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights: ☐

   If “d” is checked, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:


10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities the House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees) (indicate agenda is attached by checking box): ☑

11. Check one:
   a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☑ or □
   b. N/A - trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education. □

12. For each sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip and its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:
   Please see attachment.

13. Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary.
   a. Mode of travel: Air □ Rail □ Bus □ Car ☑ Other □ (Specify: ______________________ )
   b. Class of travel: Coach □ Business □ First □ Charter ☑ Other □ (Specify: ____________________ )
   c. If travel will be first class or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☑

15. I represent that either (check one of the following):
   a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized without regard to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees: ☑ or □
   b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically with regard to congressional participation: □
      If "b" is checked:
      1) Detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided):

5) Provide reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:
   Hotel name: Salamander Resort City: Middleburg, Cost per night: $125
   Reason(s) for selecting: Ample meeting space and proximity to DC with a/v capabilities

Hotel name: __________________________________________ City: ______ Cost per night: __________
Reason(s) for selecting: __________________________________________

Hotel name: __________________________________________ City: ______ Cost per night: __________
Reason(s) for selecting: __________________________________________

Hotel name: __________________________________________ City: ______ Cost per night: __________
Reason(s) for selecting: __________________________________________
17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. (signify that the statement is true by checking box). ☑

18. **TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:**

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19. Check one:
   a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below. ☑ or
   b. N/A – sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education. □

20. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip. ☑

21. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

   Signature:  
   [Signature]

   Name:  
   April Beerman

   Title:  
   Program Director

   Organization:  
   Center for\n
   Address:  
   925 15th St, NW, 4th Floor Washington, DC 20005

   Telephone number:  
   (202) 550-4325

   Email address:  
   april@center-forward.org

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee at the following address:

   Committee on Ethics
   U.S. House of Representatives
   1015 Longworth House Office Building
   Washington, DC 20515
   (202) 225-7103 (phone)
   (202) 225-7392 (general fax)

*Version date 4/2013 by Committee on Ethics*
Ms. Michelle Dorothy
Office of the Honorable Scott Peters
1122 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Dorothy:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Middleburg, Virginia, scheduled for March 24 to 26, 2017, sponsored by Center Forward.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than $390 from a single source on the “Travel” schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee’s Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

Susan W. Brooks
Chairwoman

Theodore E. Deutch
Ranking Member

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Agenda

2017 Center Forward Issues Conference

Friday, March 24 - Sunday, March 26, 2017

The Salamander

Middleburg, VA

Friday, March 24

3:00 pm – 5:00 pm    Registration – Business Center of the Salamander

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm    Welcome Reception - Red Fox Inn, downtown Middleburg, VA


Second Floor

Attire is business casual.

Saturday, March 25

8:30 am    Breakfast Buffet - Middleburg Foyer

Daytime attire is casual

Program Location    Middleburg I and II
9:00 am – 9:15 am  Welcome Remarks

Cori Kramer, Executive Director, Center Forward

9:15- 9:45 am  Opening Remarks

Legislating from the Center

Congressman Jim Costa, Co-Chair, The Blue Dog Coalition and Congressman Jim Himes, Chair, The New Democrat Coalition

9:45 am – 11:00 am  Discussion Panel

ACA Repeal and Replace – Where do we go from here?

Panelists include: Congressman Ami Bera

Moderated by the Honorable Bud Cramer

11:00 – 11:15 am  Break

11:15am – 12:00 pm  At the Center of the Target: how foreign entities work to erode America’s middle ground

Opening Remarks and Introduction by Congresswoman Stephanie Murphy

The Honorable Sean O’Brien, Chief Speechwriter for Secretary of Defense Ashton B. Carter
12:00 pm – 1:15 pm  Lunch - Middleburg Foyer

Redistricting our Future

Kelly Ward, Interim Executive Director

National Democratic Redistricting Committee

1:15pm – 1:30 pm  Break

1:30 – 2:45 pm  Discussion Panel

Corporate Tax Reform

Panelists include:

James Leuschen, Senior Policy Advisor, Democratic Whip
Steny Hoyer

Bill Miller, Senior Vice President, Business Roundtable

Moderated by the Honorable Bud Cramer

3:00– 4:30 pm  Moderate Round table discussions – perspectives from House offices on the 2017 legislative session

4:30-6:00 pm  Break

6:00 pm – 7:00 pm  Reception - Middleburg Foyer

Attire is business casual

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm  Dinner – Middleburg II and III
Navigating a Rapidly Changing Political Environment

Keynote Address by Amy Walter, National Editor of the
Cook Political Report

Sunday, March 26

8:00 am – 10:00 am  Breakfast Buffet – Middleburg Foyer
4. Name and Title House Invitees:

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<td>Scott</td>
<td>Petersen</td>
<td>Deputy Chief of Staff/Legislative Director</td>
<td>Office of Representative Jim Costa</td>
<td>As Legislative Director for Congressman Costa, Chair of the Blue Dog Coalition, Mr. Petersen offers insight into the priorities of an office that is involved in bipartisan legislation on the agriculture committee.</td>
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<td>Morgan</td>
<td>Jones</td>
<td>Legislative Director</td>
<td>Office of Representative Donald Norcross</td>
<td>As Legislative Director to Congressman Norcross, Mr. Jones can speak to the challenges of forging bipartisan relationships and common legislative ground.</td>
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<td>Jonathan</td>
<td>Smith</td>
<td>Chief of Staff</td>
<td>Office of Representative Derek Kilmer</td>
<td>As Chief of Staff to a Member focused on corporate tax reform, Mr. Smith can offer insight into bipartisan efforts on this issue.</td>
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<td>Erin</td>
<td>O’Quinn</td>
<td>Legislative Director</td>
<td>Office of Representative Ami Bera</td>
<td>As Legislative Director to Rep. Bera, a medical doctor, Ms. O’Quinn can offer a unique perspective on healthcare and small business issues.</td>
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<td>Bruce</td>
<td>Miller</td>
<td>Chief of Staff</td>
<td>Office of Representative Mark Amodei</td>
<td>In his role as chief of staff for Rep. Amodei, Mr. Miller can speak to the anticipated</td>
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<td>David</td>
<td>Deputy Chief of Staff/Legislative Director</td>
<td>Office of Representative Katherine Clark</td>
<td>Mr. Bond has served in many offices currently engages in outreach to progressive groups and offers the perspective of those entities as well as his work on numerous pieces of legislation.</td>
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<td>Mike</td>
<td>Chief of Staff</td>
<td>Office of Representative Ron Kind</td>
<td>Mr. Goodman serves as Chief of Staff to Rep. Kind, a long-time leader in the New Democrats, who focuses on issues impacting small businesses. He will offer important insights to efforts in this area.</td>
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<td>Mark</td>
<td>Chief of Staff</td>
<td>Office of Representative Jim Himes</td>
<td>As the Chief of Staff to a Member of the Financial Services Committee, Mr. Henson can offer insight into legislative efforts regarding those issues. He will also be able to address the priorities of the New Democrat Coalition, of which Mr. Himes is Chair.</td>
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<td>Andrew</td>
<td>Senior Policy Advisor, New Democrat Coalition</td>
<td>Office of Rep. Jim Himes</td>
<td>As senior policy advisor of the New Democrats, Mr. Connery is actively</td>
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<td>Andy</td>
<td>Flick</td>
<td>Deputy Chief of Staff</td>
<td>Office of Representative Seth Moulton</td>
<td>Mr. Flick can provide insight from the perspective of a Freshman office and its legislative priorities.</td>
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<td>Katie</td>
<td>Grant</td>
<td>Communications Director</td>
<td>Office of House Democratic Whip Steny Hoyer</td>
<td>As the communications director in the Minority Whip’s office, Ms. Grant offers perspective on the messaging of important issues within the caucus.</td>
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<td>James</td>
<td>Leuschen</td>
<td>Senior Policy Advisor</td>
<td>Office of House Democratic Whip Steny Hoyer</td>
<td>Mr. Leuschen has extensive policy experience and can speak to corporate tax reform ideas in great detail as well as provide insight into other legislative priorities.</td>
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<td>Michael</td>
<td>Lukso</td>
<td>Legislative Director</td>
<td>Office of Representative Josh Gottheimer</td>
<td>Mr. Lukso is legislative director to a freshman Congressman and will offer his take on legislations based on experience working in a variety of offices.</td>
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<td>Tricia</td>
<td>Russell</td>
<td>Chief of Staff</td>
<td>Office of Representative</td>
<td>After many years with Rep. Steve</td>
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<td>Erin</td>
<td>Doty Georges</td>
<td>Legislative Director</td>
<td>Office of Representative Raul Ruiz</td>
<td>Ms. Doty Georges is a veteran legislative professional who will be able to lend her perspective from a variety of different offices on common sense legislation.</td>
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<td>Drew</td>
<td>Kent</td>
<td>Chief of Staff</td>
<td>Office of Representative Charlie Dent</td>
<td>As chief of staff for a chair of the Tuesday Group and an active Republican Member, Mr. Kent will contribute to the discussions of common ground and bipartisan legislative solutions.</td>
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<td>Jeff</td>
<td>Carroll</td>
<td>Democratic Staff Director</td>
<td>House Energy and Commerce Committee</td>
<td>Mr. Carroll will be able to add the committee’s perspective to the discussion on healthcare reform.</td>
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<td>Jim</td>
<td>Costa</td>
<td>Congressman</td>
<td>16th District of California</td>
<td>As Co-Chair of the Blue Dog Coalition, Congressman Costa will be addressing their legislative initiatives and focus.</td>
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<td>Jim</td>
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<td>Congressman Himes will discuss the priorities and focus of the New Democrat Coalition, of which he is the chair.</td>
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<td>Stephanie</td>
<td>Murphy</td>
<td>Congresswoman Murphy is a national security specialist who will participate in the program segment focused on the role of the center in shaping foreign policy.</td>
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<td>Brad</td>
<td>Howard</td>
<td>Chief of Staff</td>
<td>Mr. Howard has extensive experience with the Blue Dog Coalition and moderate issues across the country and will be able to offer this perspective combined with his role in organizing a freshman office.</td>
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<td>Alexis</td>
<td>Anderson</td>
<td>Legislative Assistant</td>
<td>Ms. Anderson's portfolio includes both healthcare and foreign affairs and she will be able to add to the discussion of both issues.</td>
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<td>Juan</td>
<td>Hinojosa</td>
<td>Chief of Staff</td>
<td>As chief of staff to a Member focused on improving infrastructure needs in his district, Mr. Hinojosa can address the issue and probability of</td>
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<td>Jones</td>
<td>Chief of Staff</td>
<td>Office of Representative Brad Schneider</td>
<td>Ms. Jones has extensive legislative and administration experience and will lend her perspective to the current legislative session.</td>
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<td>Austin</td>
<td>Durrer</td>
<td>Chief of Staff</td>
<td>Office of Representative Charlie Crist</td>
<td>Mr. Durrer will be able to discuss the challenges and priorities of a freshman office and the impact of changes to financial services regulations.</td>
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<td>Michelle</td>
<td>Dorothy</td>
<td>Chief of Staff</td>
<td>Office of Representative Scott Peters</td>
<td>Ms. Dorothy offers a perspective gained as a chief of staff for a moderate California Member after previously serving as chief for a conservative Pennsylvania Democrat.</td>
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<td>Jeremy</td>
<td>Nordquist</td>
<td>Chief of Staff</td>
<td>Office of Representative Tom O’Halleran</td>
<td>Mr. Nordquist will contribute the perspective of a freshman Blue Dog office and its policy priorities.</td>
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<td>Ami</td>
<td>Bera</td>
<td>Congressman</td>
<td>7th District of California</td>
<td>Rep. Bera will participate in discussions on healthcare reform and broader policy perspectives for the 2017 legislative agenda.</td>
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<td>Steven</td>
<td>Smith</td>
<td>Communications Director</td>
<td>Office of Representative Paul Gosar</td>
<td>As the communications director for a Republican Member, Mr. Smith will contribute his insight on the legislative priorities for the upcoming year and where common ground may be found.</td>
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**12. Sponsor's interest in the subject matter and role in organizing the trip:**

Center Forward’s Issues Retreat is being convened to bring together centrists from various industries, organizations and the public sector to focus on pragmatic solutions. Center Forward’s organizational mission is to provide centrists the information they need to craft common sense solutions and provide support in turning those ideas into results. Center Forward brings together Members of Congress, not-for-profits, academic experts, trade associations, corporations and unions to find common ground.

Center Forward is the sole organizer of the trip. Center Forward is planning the retreat and is responsible for the organization and execution of the event logistics as well as the programming content. Discussion topics will include healthcare reform, corporate tax reform, foreign policy and the 2017 political landscape. Participants are expected to include policymakers and advocate groups as well as business leaders and some researchers.