COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM ☐ *Original* ☐ *Amendment*

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 by email at* gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov, 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: Brandon Pecoraro
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ ***OR*** ☐ None
   b. Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates: Departure: July 20, 2026 Return: July 22, 2026
   b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ ***OR*** ☒ None
4. Departure City: Washington, DC Destination: Cambridge, MA Return City: Washington, DC
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: National Bureau of Economic Research
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: Economists presented frontier research on innovation and economic growth
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*** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
   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 statement is true by checking the 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: Brandon Pecoraro Digitally signed by Brandon Pecoraro Date: 2026.07.31 15:15:07 -04'00' **Date:** 7/31/26

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: JASON SMITH **Date:** 7.31.26

Signature of Supervising Member: Jason T Smith

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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

☒ *Original* ☐ *Amendment*

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 in 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.

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

1. Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: National Bureau of Economic Research
2. Travel Destination(s): Cambridge, MA
3. Date of Departure: July 20, 2026 Date of Return: July 22, 2026
4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Brandon Pecoraro

   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 Question 4:

	Total **Transportation** Expenses	Total **Lodging** Expenses	Total **Meal** Expenses	Total **Other** Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	$506.71	$681.80	$280.00 (provided to all conference participants)	$0
Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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: [signature] **Date:** 7/31/2026

Name: James Poterba **Title:** President and CEO

Organization: National Bureau of Economic Research

☒ ***I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.***

Address: 1050 Mass Avenue, Cambrdige, MA 02138

Telephone: 617-588-0391 **Email:** poterba@nber.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.

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Brandon Pecoraro
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: NBER
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Cambridge, MA
4. a. Date of Departure: July 20, 2026 Date of Return: July 22, 2026

   b. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?

   If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**

   (1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____

   (2) Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____

   (3) Yes ☐ No ☐ Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?
6. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?

   b. **If yes**, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:
7. Yes ☒ No ☐ *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.

   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.**

   I am a senior economist for JCT working on macroeconomic analysis, specifically the economic growth effects of tax policy. This conference is for economists working on the determinants of economic growth, where frontier research is presented. This will help me to keep up to date with the latest research and use that knowledge to improve the macroeconomic analysis that I do for Congress.
9. **Yes ☐ No ☒ Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**
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.

Signature of Employing Member: _____ **Date:** 6.15.26

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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's website (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form. The Committee will notify the House invitees directly of its decision and will not notify the trip sponsors.

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. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:

   National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER)

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, services, or in-kind assistance 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):

   Brandon Pecoraro, Martin Lopez-Daneri and Rachel Moore. All are invited to attend the NBER Innovation meeting

5. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?
6. Date of Departure: 7/20/26 Date of Return: 7/22/26
7. a. City of departure: Washingotn , DC
   b. Destination(s): Boston, MA
   c. City of return: Washington, DC
8. ***Check only one.*** I represent that
   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 only one of the following.***
   a. ☐ I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
   b. ☐ I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
   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 you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted. _____

10. ☐ Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities 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 only one of the following.***
   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 the statement is true by clicking the box;* **OR**
   b. ☐ *Not Applicable.* 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:
   The NBER is a private, non-profit organization that facilitates cutting-edge research on and analysis of major economic issues. The NBER organizes all aspects of this meeting
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. ***Check only one.*** I represent that either:
   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): $100
      2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: The NBER is located in Cambridge.
16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name:	City:	Cost Per Night:
Royal Sonesta Hotel	Cambridge, MA	$294 plus tax

Reason(s) for Selecting: site of meeting

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 the box.*

18. **Total Expenses for each Participant:**

☐ Actual Amounts ☒ Good Faith Estimates	Total **Transportation** Expenses per Participant	Total **Lodging** Expenses per Participant	Total **Meal** Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	$250	$682	$280
For each Accompanying Family Member			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee		
For each Accompanying Family Member		

19. ***Check only one:***
    a. ☒ I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
    b. ☐ *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. **I certify by my signature that**
    a. **I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;**
    b. **I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and**
    c. **The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature: _____ Date: 6/12/26

Name: Robert Shannon Title: Assistant Director, Conferences

Organization: NBER

Address: 1050 Mass Ave, Cambridge, MA 02138

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If there are questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

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NATIONAL BUREAU of ECONOMIC RESEARCH

SI 2026 Innovation
Organized by Benjamin Jones and Heidi L. Williams
Supported by Coefficient Giving and Good Ventures Foundation
July 21-22, 2026
Royal Sonesta Hotel, 40 Edwin H. Land Blvd., Cambridge, MA

Tuesday, July 21

8:30 am Coffee and Pastries

9:00 am Welcome and Introductions

9:15 am *Patent Vouchers as Innovation Incentives: Theory and Evidence from Europe*
Pierre Dubois, Toulouse School of Economics
Paul-Henri Moisson, Paris School of Economics
Jean Tirole, Toulouse School of Economics

Discussant:
TBA

10:20 am *Tasks to TFP: The Micro Origins of Aggregate Productivity*
Joseba Martinez, London Business School
Johan Moen-Vorum, BI Norwegian Business School

Discussant:
TBA

11:10 am Break

11:30 am *The Decline in the Transmission of Scientific Ideas*
Enrico Berkes, University of Maryland Baltimore County
Ruben Gaetani, University of Toronto

Discussant:
TBA

12:20 pm Lunch

1:30 pm *Dynamic Oligopoly and Innovation*
Hugo Hopenhayn, University of California, Los Angeles and NBER
Koki Okumura, University of California, Los Angeles

Discussant:
TBA

2:20 pm — *The Economic Value of Science*
Xugan Chen, Yale University
Ernest Liu, Princeton University and NBER
Song Ma, Yale University and NBER

Discussant:
Lee G. Branstetter, Carnegie Mellon University and NBER

3:10 pm — Break

3:30 pm — **Panel: Regulation, Innovation, and Economic Growth**
Moderator
Heidi Williams, Darmouth College and NBER
Panelists:
Edward Glaeser, Harvard University and NBER
Zach Liscow, Yale University
Lisa Ouellette, Stanford University
Mike Schmidt, Princeton University

5:00 pm — Adjourn and Reception in Ballroom Foyer

Wednesday, July 22

8:30 am — Coffee and Pastries

9:30 am — *Innovation through Recombination*
Songyuan Teng, Yale University

Discussant:
TBA

10:20 am — Break

10:40 am — *How Artificial Intelligence Shapes Science: Evidence from AlphaFold*
Ryan R. Hill, Northwestern University and NBER
Carolyn Stein, University of California, Berkeley and NBER

Discussant:
TBA

11:30 am *How AI Impacts the Quest for Knowledge: Evidence from AlphaFold2*
Myra Mohnen, University of Ottawa
Joshua S. Gans, University of Toronto and NBER

Discussant:
TBA

12:20 pm Lunch

Afternoon Joint Session with the Digital Economics and Artificial Intelligence

1:30 pm *Growth at the Resource Frontier*
Martin Beraja, University of California, Berkeley and NBER
Noam Yuchtman, London School of Economics

Discussant:
TBA

2:20 pm *Platform Governance and Automated Enforcement: Evidence from YouTube Content ID*
Sverrir Arnórsson, University of Zurich
Stefan Bechtold, ETH Zurich
Christian Peukert, HEC Lausanne
Catherine Tucker, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and NBER

Discussant:
TBA

3:30 pm *Elite Talent and Firm Productivity in the Age of AI*
Sagar V. Baviskar, Carnegie Mellon University
Lee G. Branstetter, Carnegie Mellon University and NBER
Prasanna Tambe, University of Pennsylvania
Liujie Wu, Carnegie Mellon University
Cameron Drayton, Carnegie Mellon University
Eduard Hovy, Carnegie Mellon University

Discussant:
TBA

4:20 pm Adjourn

Participants

James D. Adams, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and NBER
Ajay K. Agrawal, University of Toronto and NBER
Salome Aguilar Llanes, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Michael J. Andrews, University of Maryland, Baltimore County
Pierre Azoulay, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and NBER
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Wesley M. Cohen, Duke University and NBER
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Lisa Larrimore Ouellette, Stanford University
Luc Paluskiewicz, Paris School of Economics
Brandon Pecoraro, Joint Committee on Taxation
Bitsy Perlman, U.S. Census Bureau
Gordon M. Phillips, Dartmouth College and NBER
S. Abraham Ravid, Yeshiva University
Lindsey Raymond, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
David T. Robinson, Duke University and NBER
Raffaella Sadun, Harvard University and NBER
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Sarada Sarada, University of California, Los Angeles
Henry Sauermann, ESMT Berlin
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Chad Shirley, Congressional Budget Office
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Alec Stapp, Institute for Progress
Carolyn Stein, University of California, Berkeley and NBER
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Edward L. Glaeser, Harvard University and NBER
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Deepak Hegde, New York University and NBER
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July 17, 2026

Mr. Brandon Pecoraro
Joint Committee on Taxation
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Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Pecoraro:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Cambridge, Massachusetts, scheduled for July 20 to 22, 2026, sponsored by National Bureau of Economic Research.

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 $525 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,

Michael Guest
Chairman

Mark DeSaulnier
Ranking Member

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