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**WORKSHOP ON REGULATING THE EVOLVING BROADBAND ECOSYSTEM**

**AT FCC SEPTEMBER 10-12, 2014**

Washington, D.C. – The University of Nebraska College of Law and the American Enterprise Institute’s (AEI) Center for Internet, Communications, and Technology are co-sponsoring a by-invitation workshop on the topic “Regulating the Evolving Broadband Ecosystem,” to be held at FCC headquarters on September 10-12, 2014. The College of Law and AEI organized the workshop and selected (via a public Call for Papers) the academic, government, and other experts who will present research “work-in-progress” to their fellow participants for discussion and critique.

The workshop program will be available at:

<http://www.aei.org/events/2014/09/10/regulating-the-evolving-broadband-ecosystem/> with abstracts of the papers posted by September 2, 2014. Slide presentations and/or draft manuscripts will be posted immediately after the conference.The workshop will open with a public plenary session in the FCC Meeting Room from 12:30-5:30 PM on Wednesday, September 10. In addition to three keynote presentations (detailed in the program), senior FCC management will review some of the policy challenges that the evolving broadband ecosystem poses.

The workshop will afford FCC staff an opportunity to learn about current academic research and to highlight for the academics issues and questions that might be suitable for further research. The workshop paper presentations and related discussions will take place in a small-group setting on Thursday and Friday, September 11 and 12. Because space is limited, those wishing to observe these discussions should contact the organizers at guro.ekrann@aei.org by September 3, 2014. The organizers will notify them of space availability by September 8, 2014.

In order to foster a candid discussion of work at an early stage of development, the workshop sessions will be conducted under the “Chatham House Rule” (participants are free to use information received in the meeting but may not reveal the identity or affiliation of any speaker or other participant), except to the extent required for adherence to the FCC’s *ex parte* regulations. All presentations are subject to these regulations.

The meeting site is fully accessible to people using wheelchairs or other mobility aids.  Reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request.  Include a description of the accommodation you will need and tell us how to contact you if we need more information.  Make your request as early as possible.  Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill. Send an email to: fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (TTY).

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