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U.S. Chamber of Commerce
1615 H St NW, Washington, DC 20062

**THE COST OF RESILIENCE:
IMPACT OF LARGE-SCALE BIOLOGICAL EVENTS ON
BUSINESS, FINANCE, AND THE ECONOMY**

Objectives

Provide the Blue Ribbon Study Panel on Biodefense with a better understanding of private sector views on: (1) financial impacts of large-scale biological incidents; (2) public-private partnerships and collaboration in advance of such incidents; and (3) what/how the private sector can contribute to biodefense, especially before federal assets are mobilized and after federal resources are exhausted. Provide industry and academic representatives with the opportunity to provide their perspectives, experiences, challenges, and recommended solutions with regard to the biological threats of greatest concern to them, vulnerabilities of various industries, and economic consequences. Address private sector roles and responsibilities before, during, and after the response to large-scale biological events.

Schedule

10:00 – 10:30: Opening Remarks: Blue Ribbon Study Panel on Biodefense

- Meeting Chair: Former Representative James C. Greenwood, Panel Member
- Former Senate Majority Leader Thomas A. Daschle, Panel Member
- Former Senator Joseph I. Lieberman, Co-Chair
- Former Governor Thomas J. Ridge, Panel Co-Chair
- Former Homeland Security Advisor Kenneth L. Wainstein, Panel Member

10:30 – 11:30: Congressional Perspective

A sitting Member of Congress will discuss the role of the Legislative Branch in ensuring that U.S. industry understands the biological threat and participates in biodefense.

- Senator Ron Johnson (R-WI), Chairman, Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Chairman, Subcommittee on European and Regional Security Cooperation, Senate Committee on Foreign Relations; Member, Senate Committee on the Budget; Member, Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation.

11:30 – 11:45 *Break*

11:45 – 12:30: Lunch Keynote – Preventing Disaster: Return on Investment in Pandemic Prevention

President of a global health, conservation, and international development organization will address investments to prevent worldwide biological disaster

- Peter Daszak, President, EcoHealth Alliance

12:30 – 1:30: Panel One – Commerce and the Economy

Representatives from an energy company and university will provide their perspectives on bioterrorism insurance, the economic consequences of a biological incident, and how they view corporate responsibility before and during the response to large-scale biological events.

- Malick Diara, MD, MBA, MPH, Public Health Manager, Medicine and Occupational Health, ExxonMobil Corporation
- Dean Jamison, PhD, Professor Emeritus, Global Health; Principal Investigator, Disease Control Priorities Network; former research economist and manager, World Bank
- David Stoltzfus, LAN Pipeline Delivery Lead – TPD/Breeding, Monsanto

1:30 – 2:30: Panel Two – Distribution and Surge

Representatives from the pharmaceutical supply chain will discuss the role of their industries during a biological incident and the challenges involved in rapid response to a large-scale event.

- Henrik Birk, PhD, COO, Bavarian Nordic
- Kathleen Jaeger, JD, President, National Association of Chain Drug Stores (NACDS) Foundation and Senior Vice President for Pharmacy Care and Patient Advocacy, NACDS

2:30 – 2:40: Break

2:40 – 3:20: Panel Three – Critical Infrastructure

Panelists will speak to the potential impact of a biological event on critical infrastructure in the United States, how various critical infrastructure sectors would also be instrumental in response to these events, how they currently or should prepare for such events, and how they envision critical infrastructure roles and responsibilities during the response to large-scale biological events.

- Terrell Harris, Corporate Vice President and Head of Worldwide Security, FedEx Corp
- Ann M. Beauchesne, CEO, Ridge Global Education; former Senior Vice President, National Security and Emergency Preparedness Department, U.S. Chamber of Commerce

3:20 – 4:00: Panel Four – Mass Gatherings

Panelists will speak to the potential impact of a biological event on mass gatherings in the United States, how venues currently prepare for such events, how some venues also lend their resources to support community preparedness and response, and how they envision roles and responsibilities for those in charge of these venues and events during the response to large-scale biological events.

- Lou Marciani, PhD, Director, National Center for Spectator Sports Safety and Security, University of Southern Mississippi
- Joe Coomer, Vice President of Security, AMB Sports and Entertainment; former Director of Security, Mercedes Benz Stadium, Atlanta, GA; former Director of Security and Services, University of Phoenix Stadium; and former Director of Security, Indiana Convention Center and RCA Dome, Indianapolis, IN

4:00 – 4:15: Closing Remarks

- Former Homeland Security Advisor Kenneth L. Wainstein, Panel Member
- Former Governor Thomas J. Ridge, Panel Co-Chair
- Former Senator Joseph I. Lieberman, Panel Co-Chair
- Former Senate Majority Leader Thomas A. Daschle, Panel Member
- Former Representative James C. Greenwood, Panel Member

4:15 Adjourn