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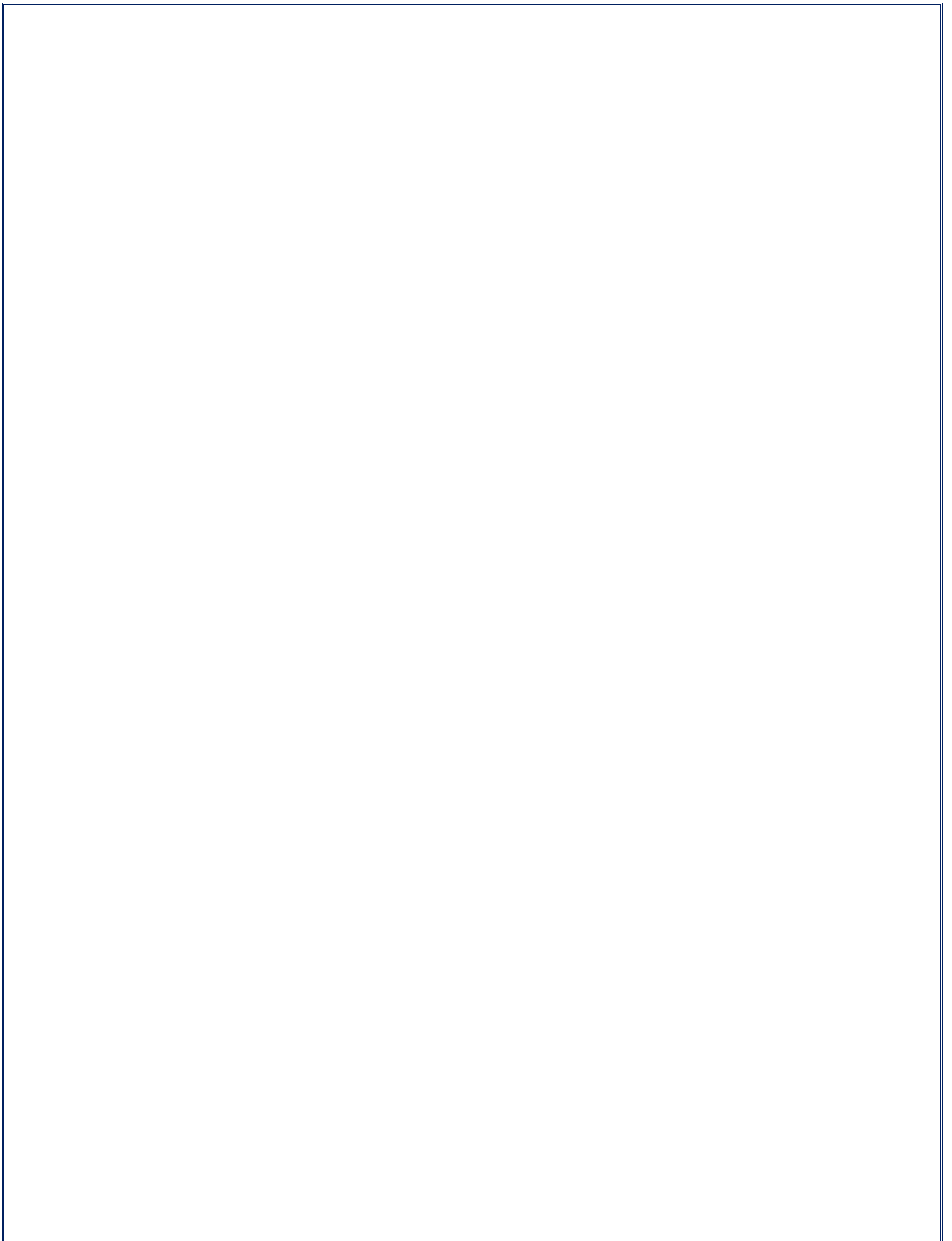


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Thursday, February 2, 2017

8:30am – 9:00am

Registration/Breakfast

9:00am - 10:30am

Opening / Welcome

Technical Session: Columbus Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow

- Ed Lentz, *Historian*
- Aparna Dial, *Deputy Director*, Columbus Department of Public Service
- Kelly B. Scocco, *Deputy Director*, Columbus Department of Public Service

10:30am - 10:50am

Break

10:50am – 12:00pm

Panel Discussion: BRT

- Michael Bradley, *Director Capital Projects and Planning* Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA), Columbus, Ohio
- Katie Roth, *Project Manager, BRT/Small Starts* Metro Transit, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Michael J. Schipper, *Deputy General Manager, Engineering & Project Management*, Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA), Cleveland, Ohio

12:00pm - 1:30pm

Luncheon and Networking

1:30pm – 2:40pm

Technical Session: Safety

Moderator: Jeanne Olubogun, *District Traffic Engineer - St. Louis Metro District*, Missouri DOT

- Improving Safety at Intersections near Grade Crossings
Rick Campbell, *President*, CTC, INC., Fort Worth, Texas
- Why Traffic Deaths are Rising
Michelle May, *Manager, Highway Safety Program*, Ohio DOT

2:40pm – 3:00pm

Break

3:00pm - 5:00pm

Panel Discussion: FAST Act – How are DOT Programs Being Impacted?

Moderator: Tammy Campbell, *District 8 Deputy Director*, Ohio DOT

- Beth McCluskey, *Director, Office of Intermodal Project Implementation*, Illinois DOT
- Patty Dunaway, *State Highway Engineer*, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet
- Daniel Yeh, *Federal Relations Officer, Office of Policy, Finance & Improvement*, Wisconsin DOT

5:00pm – 6:30pm

WTS Central Region Networking Reception

Join us for drinks and light hors d'oeuvres, and networking.

6:30pm

Dinner and Drinks - Optional

For additional networking, a group of attendees plan to go out for food and beverages; all are welcome (pay your own way). *Location to be announced.*



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Friday, February 3, 2017

7:30am - 8:45am	Breakfast and Chapter Presentations
8:45am – 9:45am	<u>Technical Session: Road to Tomorrow</u> <i>Jennifer Harper, Research Engineer, Missouri DOT</i>
9:45am – 10:00am	Break
10:00am – 12:00pm	<u>Professional Development Session:</u> <i>Team Transformation – Moving from Good to Excellent</i> Managing and building collaborative, effective teams.
12:00 pm	Program Adjourns

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