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Speakers:

Susan Offutt, Government Accountability Office—Ethics in Economics: Government Service

David Colander, Middlebury College—Creating Humble Economist

Martha Starr, American University—Contributions of Economists to the Housing-Price Bubble

William Black, University of Missouri–Kansas City—Pandering to Power: The Economist as Apologist for Elite Frauds

Discussants:

Deirdre McCloskey, University of Illinois–Chicago

Edward Leamer, University of California–Los Angeles

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