

FAQs -- 2020 DCIIA/SPARK Summer Public Policy Series

The 2020 DCIIA/SPARK Summer Public Policy Series brings to life domestic and global public policy topics with a focus on the issues of most interest and relevance to retirement and defined contribution stakeholders. This all-virtual event features the same quality of speakers, topics, thought leadership and insights that members have come to expect from DCIIA and SPARK in-person events.

What is the 2020 DCIIA/SPARK Summer Public Policy Series?

The Series represents the first joint event from DCIIA and SPARK covering both domestic and global public policy topics. The Series experience includes general sessions, breakout sessions and social networking events, all in a virtual environment. Attendees will be able to ask questions of the presenters, participate in live polls, and connect with others in the event. We will also offer replays of recorded sessions and a Sponsor Showcase.

When is the Public Policy Series?

The Series will take place this summer on Wednesdays -- July 15, July 22, July 29, August 5, August 12, and August 19. The platform and Sponsor Showcase will open each day at 10:30 am ET. Sessions will begin at 11:00 am ET, 12:30 pm ET, and, if there are breakout sessions, 1:30 pm ET.

What is the cost to register?

There is no cost to attend for members of DCIIA and/or SPARK. Non-members who want to attend should contact either Erica Dostoler at DCIIA (info@dciiia.org) or Marlene Jung at SPARK (marlene@sparkinstitute.org). If you are a member of both DCIIA and SPARK, you only need to register once, via either organization's registration form. Registration is open now – register once for access to the entire series.

Is there an attendance limit?

Right now, there is no attendance limit for individuals from member firms. We do have a capacity limitation with our virtual event platform, so while that capacity is very large if we exceed it we may need to assess setting some kind of limit per firm for attendance.

Where can I find the agenda?

The agenda and speaker information are posted on the DCIIA and SPARK websites and are updated as topics and speakers are confirmed.

Is there any special technology required to attend the Summer Series?

This virtual event is web-based using the 6Connex platform and requires no special technology beyond a computer or other device and internet connection.

Who do I contact if my company is interested in exhibiting or sponsoring at the Summer Series?

Thank you for your interest in supporting our event. Please contact Marlene Jung at SPARK (marlene@sparkinstitute.org) to learn more about sponsoring, exhibiting or customizing a package.

Will any form of live event take place?

There will not be any live events during the summer.

Will attendees be able to ask questions or have some form of interaction with presenters?

Yes, Q&A with presenters will be available.

Will sessions be recorded and archived for later consumption?

Yes, most if not all sessions will be recorded and available for a limited time on the virtual conference platform and also available to members on the DCIIA and SPARK websites.