

## LAI PUERTO RICO LAND ECONOMICS WEEKEND (LEW), MAY 1-4, 2019

Hosted at the Marriott Resort & Stellaris Casino, San Juan, Puerto Rico

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

#### LAI LEW Professional Advisory Delegation - PAD Workshop

Participate in the first LAI Professional Advisory Delegation program, or PAD, where attendees will attend a day-long workshop to provide their professional input into the *Quality of Life Program* developed to enhance the Río Piedras community of the city of San Juan. Led by LAI members who have been very involved in an extensive programming process with Río Piedras leadership, government and community stakeholders, this workshop will start with a guided tour of the diverse community which is home to the main campus of the University of Puerto Rico, a traditional central plaza-focused commercial district and several distinct residential neighborhoods.

Río Piedras has experienced the impacts of both Hurricane Maria and Puerto Rico's financial crisis which has resulted in significant disinvestment and depopulation. Please join us at this PAD Workshop to provide the professional service that is the cornerstone of LAI founder Richard T. Ely's maxim, "the law of society is service", while enhancing the quality of life of one of Puerto Rico's most important communities. (Optional - Additional program fee applies)

After returning to the hotel, dinner will be on your own, by the pool or in a nearby restaurant.

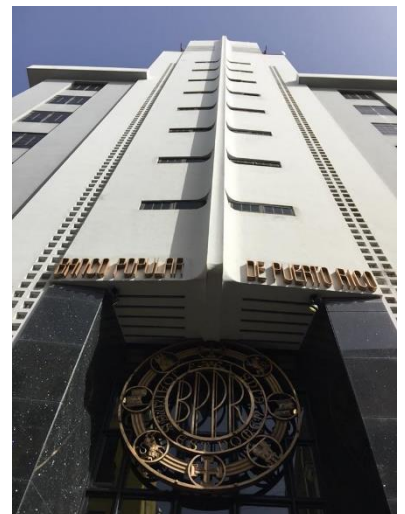
### THURSDAY, MAY 2

#### LAI/LEF Business Meetings/ Old San Juan Self-Guided Tour

During the day, LAI and the Land Economics Foundation (LEF) leadership will attend their business meetings at the hotel. LAI's general membership is invited to the afternoon Board of Governors meeting to learn more about the operations of LAI's international umbrella of LAI.

For those not attending the business meetings, this is a day to take a walking tour of Old San Juan to see the World Heritage Site of El Morro fort and the San Cristóbal castle, the art deco Banco Popular building and the colorful culture of this historic downtown. Alternatively, you can stay at the hotel and enjoy the resort amenities including multiple pools with swim-up bar, the expansive beach, or the hotel wellness center.

In the evening, the official start of the LEW kicks off with the Welcome Reception hosted at the hotel. Afterwards, dinner will be on your own in the Condado neighborhood, facilitated through group reservations at



several local restaurants. Be sure to check out the live entertainment or the casino at the hotel upon your return.

### **FRIDAY, MAY 3**

#### **Río Piedras, University of Puerto Rico - New Visions for Puerto Rico**

After a morning bus tour of the San Juan Convention District, Santurce, the Río Piedras community and the University of Puerto Rico campus, we will convene several panel discussions with local experts on issues of infrastructure redevelopment, public private partnerships, affordable housing, emergency and resiliency planning, and a brief history of the Territory of Puerto Rico. After a late lunch, we will return to the hotel to enjoy the resort facilities in the afternoon.

In the late afternoon, after a bus tour of the highlights of Old San Juan, dinner will be on your own, facilitated through group reservations at several special restaurants in the historic city.

### **SATURDAY, MAY 4**

#### **El Yunque National Rain Forest, Fajardo and Roosevelt Roads Former Naval Base**

In the morning, we will board buses to travel to the eastern end of the island with a stop at the El Yunque National Forest Visitor Center to learn about natural lands management at North America's only tropical rain forest. Time providing, we will visit a luxury hotel and housing development.

Next, we will have lunch at a local restaurant in Fajardo on the way to Cieba, site of the former Roosevelt Roads naval base, which is being redeveloped through the BRAC reuse process. The redevelopment site is over 2,900 acres and will serve as a new Vieques ferry terminal, cruise ship port and potential international airport site. The former base has two natural harbors, significant natural areas and some of the most beautiful coastline in the Caribbean. Roosevelt Roads is currently described as the most significant potential economic development project in Puerto Rico. We will tour the site and convene panel discussions on future development opportunities and their potential geopolitical significance in the Caribbean region.

After the bus ride home through the Puerto Rican countryside, we will have a few hours of rest and relaxation at the hotel before the Awards Dinner at Perla Restaurant at La Concha Hotel, just up the beach. Perla is located within the famous and historical conch shell designed by Italian architect Mario Salvadori in 1958. Sitting atop an infinity pool, Perla is elevated above the beach affording a panoramic view of the ocean.

