

## **Accelerate Community:** **Systemic Investments in Equity, Talent, and Tech**

### **Agenda**

Monday, July 29, 2019

10:00 am – 4:00 pm ET

Location: Deutsche Bank Offices, 60 Wall Street, Room 1750

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10:00 am      **Welcome and Breakfast**  
Arrivals, check-in, and breakfast

10:15 am      **Where We've Been, Where We're Going**  
*Dr. Kamau Bobb, Senior Director, Constellations Center for Equity in Computing, Georgia Tech*

Dr. Kamau Bobb will review the work of the Community to date including learnings and highlights from previous meetings and set the context for the day's session, with a deeper exploration of the tensions between workforce development and diversity, often putting company priorities at odds.

11:15 am      **IRL: The Challenges of Competing for Tech Talent in the Corporate Setting**  
*Claude Wade, Head of Client Experience and Atlanta Innovation Hub Leader, Blackrock and Antoinette Torres, Director of Strategic Initiatives and Institutional Effectiveness, The Cooper Union.*

Dr. Bobb will host Claude Wade and Antoinette Torres for a conversation exploring how companies are addressing the unyielding demand for top computational science talent and how top academic institutions are managing their capacity to support students and in particular, students of color in STEM fields.

12:30 pm      **Networking Lunch**

1:15 pm      **Working Session: Collaborative Solutions for Systemic Investments in Equity, Talent, and Tech**  
Over the course of an hour, Accelerate Community members will participate in a summative working session to apply a collective approach to expanding the pool of tech hires while meeting diversity goals.

Dr. Bobb will brief participants on considerations, inputs, and objectives of the afternoon working session.

- 1:30 pm **Small Group Work**  
Community members will be divided into three groups to review and collaborate on strategies to address specific problem statements.
- 2:30 pm **Group Presentations, Q&A, and Discussion**  
Groups will report out and present findings from worksheets.
- 3:30 pm **Wrap Up**
- 4:00 pm **Event Ends**