## Frequently Asked Questions

**Q: What is the Congressional Cyber Boot Camp?**
A: The Congressional Cyber Boot Camp hosts senior congressional staffers for a three-day intensive boot camp on cybersecurity issues. These policymakers are invited to Stanford to participate in seminars taught by academic experts on cybersecurity, attend keynotes from some of Silicon Valley's most well known innovators, and tour a tech company's campus. All of these events focus on cybersecurity, from its fundamentals to its potential consequences, furthering an important discussion about cybersecurity concerns in America.

**Q: When is the Congressional Cyber Boot Camp?**
A: The Congressional Cyber Boot Camp will run from August 17th through August 19th, 2015. Congressional staffers depart from Washington, D.C. the morning of August 17th and return on August 20th.

**Q: Who participates in the Boot Camp?**
A: The Stanford Cyber Policy Program invites senior congressional staffers, noted academics, and business and tech leaders to participate in the Cyber Boot camp. Each class aims to have representatives from both chambers and both parties, providing for interesting discussion and debate.

**Q: Why Stanford?**
A: Stanford's Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC) and Hoover Institution have become important hubs in cybersecurity research. Stanford faculty's expertise, as well as Stanford's proximity to Silicon Valley and access to the area's tech and business leaders, makes Stanford an ideal location to host and facilitate cybersecurity discussions. In the last two years, Stanford has held more than 50 seminars and workshops on cyber policy. The Stanford cyber reading group gathers a consortia or undergraduates, pre and post-doctoral fellows, faculty, and tech industry leaders to discuss cybersecurity issues. This past year, Stanford hosted multiple high-profile speakers on cyber policy issues, including President Obama for the White House Summit on Cybersecurity and Consumerism; Secretary of Defense Ashton Carter; NSA Director Admiral Mike Rogers; Senator Dianne Feinstein; and Admiral Cecil D. Haney.

**Q: Are there any registration fees or other fees involved with participating?**
A: No. Participation in the event is free. There is no registration fee.

**Q: Will meals be provided for?**
A: Yes. Stanford will provide breakfast, lunch, and dinner for staffers in compliance with the Ethics Committees' rules.

**Q: What about transportation?**
A: Stanford will provide economy class airfare and transportation in the Bay Area. Congressional staffers will be responsible for their transportation to and from Dulles International Airport.

## Q: Who will be speaking at this year's conference?

A: This year's speakers include:

- Reid Hoffman, Executive Chairman and Co-founder of LinkedIn
- The Honorable Condoleezza Rice, PhD, Thomas and Barbara Stephenson Senior Fellow at the Hoover Institution and former US Secretary of State
- Dr. Jane Holl Lute, President and CEO of the Council on CyberSecurity and former US Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security
- Kevin Mandia, President of FireEye, Inc.
- The Honorable Michael McFaul, Director and Senior Fellow at the Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies and former U.S. Ambassador to the Russian Federation
- Dr. Dan Boneh, Professor of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering at Stanford
- Dr. Herb Lin, Senior Research Scholar at the Center for International Security and Cooperation and Research Fellow at the Hoover Institution
- Dr. Amy Zegart, Co-director of the Center for International Security and Cooperation and Senior Fellow at the Hoover Institution

## Q: What about Ethics?

A: Stanford University, a 501(c)(3) educational institution is the sponsor of this event. This event will comply with Congressional ethics rules. Ethics packets to be submitted to your Ethics Committee for approval have already been sent out.

## Q: Can I attend this year's conference?

A: The 2015 Congressional Cyber Boot Camp is currently full. Due to the size and nature of the event, Stanford extends invitations to the Congressional Cyber Boot Camp. Invitations are not available by request. General inquiries may be sent to Russell Wald, rwald@stanford.edu.