



The Rural South Economic Development Summit will include all kinds of marketing opportunities for Southern states, utilities and communities, as well as manufacturers in rural markets in the region.

Mostly, though, it is an educational-based gathering designed for the finest rural economic development professionals in the South (the third largest economy in the world) to meet and hear from the foremost experts in the region. The event is really a discussion on ways to improve the region's commerce. Included will be invited economic developers, educators, economists, consultants and the like, all experts on the rural South's economy.

A unique event filled with impromptu discussion

The meeting will operate much like that of the invitation-only Southern Economic Development Roundtable that SB&D has hosted for 10 years on the beach (SEDR@ThePearl@Rosemary) in Northwest Florida. Feel free to ask anyone who has been invited and attended SEDR for their own assessment of that gathering.

How SEDR and the Rural South Economic Development Summit gatherings work
You must be invited to the event to attend.

There will be presentations; however, all presenters can be interrupted during their presentation for questions. All an attendee has to do is raise his or her hand with a question or concern. This will spark and enable additional discussion among the group.

The conference will go deep into the opportunities that are available for growing companies in the Rural American South and many of the reasons and fact-based issues on why a rural South location is beneficial to new, expanding and relocating manufacturers. The Summit will include a limited number of exhibits, sponsorships and the finest speakers in small market Southern economic development.

For additional information or to receive an invitation to attend or to sponsor, simply email michael@sb-d.com or william@sb-d.com or call 205.370.6039. 📍

Clockwise from top left: Bardstovwn, Ky., is a shining example of a great small town. The conference will be held at The Cotton House Hotel in Cleveland, Miss. "The Most Southern Place on Earth." The GRAMMY Museum Mississippi, located in Cleveland, Miss., highlights the musical achievements of Mississippians.