



IPU's 68th Annual
Fundamentals of Utility Regulation
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Essential education in the theory, principles, and practice of economic regulation organized by disciplinary perspectives, core functions, and utility sector applications.

Agenda

Monday

10:00-10:15 am	Welcome and Introduction
10:15-11:25 am	Why We Regulate: Introduction to Public Utility Regulation [E. Nordman]
11:40-12:50 pm	Introduction continued
12:50-01:45 pm	Lunch break
01:45-02:55 pm	Regulatory Independence and Ethics [S. Hempling]
03:10-04:20 pm	Public Utilities Compared Panel [D. Schmidt, C. Peterson, C. Glazer]
04:20-04:30 pm	Wrap up

Tuesday

10:00-10:15 am	Welcome and Introduction
10:15-11:25 am	Economic Fundamentals of Regulation [G. Marke]
11:40-12:50 pm	Economics fundamentals of regulation continued
12:50-01:45 pm	Lunch break
01:45-02:55 pm	Legal Fundamentals of Regulation [H. Reiter]
03:10-04:20 pm	Legal Fundamentals of Regulation continued
04:20-04:30 pm	Wrap up

Wednesday

10:00-10:15 am	Welcome and Introduction
10:15-11:25 am	Finance Fundamentals of Regulation [T. Rimer]
11:40-12:50 pm	Finance Fundamentals of Regulation continued
12:50-01:45 pm	Lunch break
01:45-02:55 pm	Financial Accounting and Reporting [L. Jackson]
03:10-04:20 pm	Utility Consumer Rights, Protections, and Advocacy [Howat & Lusson]
04:20-04:30 pm	Wrap up

Thursday

10:00-10:15 am	Welcome and Introduction
10:15-11:25 am	Federal Energy Regulation [Kaleb Lockwood]
11:40-12:50 pm	Environmental Regulation of Utilities [N. Leonard]
12:50-01:45 pm	Lunch break
01:45-02:55 pm	Regulatory Alternatives [M. Lowry]
03:10-04:20 pm	Regional Utility Planning for Reliability [J. Soller]
04:20-04:30 pm	Wrap up

Friday

10:00-10:15 am	Welcome and Introduction
10:15-11:25 am	Closing Panel Discussion: Electricity [Glazer], Nat. Gas [Peterson], Water [Schmidt]
11:40-12:50 pm	Closing Panel Discussion continued
12:50-01:00 pm	Wrap up and Adjourn



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