

2026 PaymentsFirst Leadership Forum

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2026

The Westin BWI Airport, 1110 Old Elkridge Road, Linthicum Heights, MD 21090

Breakfast & Lunch Provided

AGENDA

PART ONE – THE LANDSCAPE

8:00 – 9:00 AM	Breakfast, Registration & Networking
9:00 – 9:30 AM	Banking’s Shift to Always-On Infrastructure Peter Davey , PaymentsJedi Advisory The shift toward 24/7 payments is changing the banking landscape, bringing new opportunities, risks, and strategic decisions for financial institutions. Understanding these changes will be essential as leaders position their institutions for the future.
9:35 – 10:05 AM	The Politics & Policies of Payments William “Bill” Sullivan , Nacha A look at the evolving payments policy landscape in Washington, including stablecoin regulation, fraud legislation, and open banking, and how these developments could influence financial institutions' strategies, risk management, and future business decisions.
10:10 – 10:40 AM	Federal Reserve Update – Instant Payments at Scale Ian Schweid , Federal Reserve Financial Services A look at FedNow's growth, adoption, and emerging use cases as instant payments expand across the banking industry. The discussion will highlight what these developments mean for financial institutions as they evaluate opportunities, strategic priorities, and future payment strategies.
10:40 – 11:00 AM	AM Break
11:00 – 11:30 AM	The Clearing House Update – RTP and the Road to Tokenized Deposits Keith Melton , The Clearing House A closer look at the evolution of the RTP network, including adoption, fraud prevention, and account tokenization. The discussion will also explore bank-backed tokenized deposits and how these innovations could influence the future of payment networks and the movement of money.

PART TWO – THE CONVERSATION

11:35 AM – 12:35 PM	Panel Discussion & Audience Q&A Peter Davey , Moderator William “Bill” Sullivan, Ian Schweid & Keith Melton Peter brings all speakers back to discuss their topics, connect key takeaways, and answer questions from the audience.
12:35 PM	Lunch & Networking Enjoy lunch and take this opportunity to connect with our speakers, fellow attendees, and the PaymentsFirst team. Guests are welcome to depart at their convenience following lunch.