The ATS Development Officers’ Conference Steering Committee invites the submission of proposals for workshop sessions at the next annual conference, February 24–26, 2015, in San Antonio. The conference seeks to educate and support professional development officers and staff who engage in theological education through issues related to fundraising, communications, and institutional development. This collaborative, cross-area event invites proposals that address the conference theme in the areas of best practices and new ideas, and that speaks to how development officers shape the ways that you advance the mission of your school. The steering committee is considering the following categories related to the theme of this year’s conference:

- New Beginnings (basics for those new to development)
- Bold Partnerships (new ways of partnering among departments within your institution or with other entities for the benefit of fundraising together)
- Enterprising Models (fresh ideas for development professionals)

Proposal Review Process
Proposals must describe the associated topic area. Sessions should be strategy/intervention-oriented, have active participation of the group, time for reflection and sharing, and may include relevant handouts. Description of sessions must be precise and accurate. Please plan the session for 75 minutes in length. Times will be confirmed upon notification of acceptance of proposal. Proposals will be considered based on the following criteria:

- The degree to which the proposal addresses the conference theme
- Relevance of session content to the intended audience
- The degree to which the proposal has practical application and demonstrated results for the intended audience

Proposal Requirements
- Name, Institution, and Position (if you are proposing a panel, please list all presenters)
- Contact Information (phone, email, and mailing address for each presenter)
- Qualifications of Presenters (please attach curricular vitae)
- Presentation Title and 200-word abstract describing the presentation
- Target Audience (e.g., fundraisers, communications, institutional development, etc.)

The deadline for submission of proposals is Monday, June 16, at 5 p.m. Notification will be made after June 30, 2014. Please email proposals and/or questions regarding format or content to:

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