



Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas

## Powering AI: Energizing the Future of Artificial Intelligence

March 4 – 5, 2026 | Dallas

This conference brought together experts from the energy, technology and financial sectors to discuss how the U.S. will power the advancement of artificial intelligence. As access to affordable and reliable electricity is a leading constraint in the buildout of Generative AI data centers, conference sessions will explore the challenges and opportunities in power generation, supply chains, electric grid management, and financing for large-scale infrastructure projects, among other topics. This two-day event addressed the national implications of advancements in AI for policymakers and industry and market participants.

### Explore AI's impact on the economy

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DALLAS FED ECONOMICS

Utility-scale solar shines in Texas despite tariffs, federal policy changes

## Agenda

### Wednesday, March 4

11:30 a.m.	Registration opens, lunch served
12:00 p.m.	<b>Opening remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Donald Bowers</b>, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas</li> </ul>
12:10 p.m.	<b>Fireside chat</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Andrew Schaap</b>, Aligned Data Centers</li> <li>● Moderator: <b>Amy Harder</b>, Axios</li> </ul>
12:45 p.m.	<b>Electricity load growth forecasts</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Chair: <b>Garrett Golding</b>, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas</li> <li>● <b>Bernadette Johnson</b>, Enverus</li> <li>● <b>Clark O'Niell</b>, Boston Consulting Group</li> <li>● <b>Ning Lin</b>, Bureau of Economic Geology, University of Texas</li> </ul>
2:00 p.m.	<b>Networking break</b>
2:15 p.m.	<b>Technology sector perspectives</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Chair: <b>Reid Taylor</b>, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas</li> <li>● <b>Doug Lewin</b>, Google</li> </ul>

- **Arushi Sharma Frank**, Emerald AI

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**3:15 p.m.**      **AI adoption across industries**

- Chair: **Amy Chapel**, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas
- **Tyson Tuttle**, Circuit
- **Mark Wynne**, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas
- **Dylan Bolden**, Boston Consulting Group

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**4:15 p.m.**      **Networking break**

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**4:30 p.m.**      **CEO fireside chat**

- **Jim Burke**, Vistra
- Moderator: **Lorie Logan**, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas

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**5:15 p.m.**      **Networking reception**

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# Thursday, March 5

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<b>7:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Registration opens, breakfast served</b>
<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Perspectives from regulators and grid managers</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Chair: <b>Joseph Webster</b>, The Atlantic Council</li><li>● <b>Nick Elliot</b>, National Energy Dominance Council, The White House</li><li>● <b>Stu Bresler</b>, PJM</li><li>● <b>Chad Seely</b>, ERCOT</li></ul>
<b>8:45 a.m.</b>	<b>The future of power generation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Chair: <b>Garrett Golding</b>, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas</li><li>● <b>Benjamin Reinke</b>, X-energy</li><li>● <b>Michael McNamara</b>, Lancium</li><li>● <b>Bill Barnes</b>, NRG Energy</li></ul>
<b>9:45 a.m.</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Pathways and constraints in the energy value chain</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Chair: <b>Elizabeth Souder</b>, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas</li><li>● <b>Rob Gramlich</b>, Grid Strategies</li><li>● <b>Chris Hemschot</b>, Tenaska</li><li>● <b>Phil Wilson</b>, Lower Colorado River Authority</li></ul>
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Financing AI infrastructure</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Chair: <b>Rosie Levy</b>, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas</li><li>● <b>Maria Dreyfus</b>, Ardinal Investment Management</li><li>● <b>Gianluca Signorelli</b>, SB Energy</li><li>● <b>Brian Singer</b>, Goldman Sachs</li><li>● <b>Vishwas Patkar</b>, Morgan Stanley</li></ul>
<b>12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Lunch served</b>
<b>12:15 p.m.</b>	<b>Fireside chat</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Ken Hersh</b>, HFI Capital Management</li><li>● Moderator: <b>Julie Fine</b>, Bloomberg News</li></ul>
<b>1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Event concludes</b>

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