Task Force on American Innovation Hosts Webinar on Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Research for Congressional Staff

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Washington, DC— The Task Force on American Innovation, a nonpartisan alliance of leading American companies, business associations, research universities, and scientific associations, today hosted a webinar titled: "Future Forward: Frontiers in Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML) Research and Innovation."

"U.S. leadership in AI and ML is grounded in long-standing U.S government investments in R&D and STEM education," said Stewart Young, TFAI Executive Director. "Continued investment is needed to fuel the innovation ecosystem that leads to jobs and growth and keeps America as a world leader in technology and innovation."

The event included statements from: Congressman Jerry McNerney (D-CA), who serves as Chairman of the House AI Caucus; Congressman Jay Obernolte (R-CA); and Congressman Bill Foster.

The panel discussion included:

Dr. Chad Jenkins
Associate Director of Undergraduate Program Professor, Computer Science and Engineering
University of Michigan

Dr. Blaise Aguera y Arcas
Vice President
Google Research

Dr. Talitha Washington
Inaugural Director
Atlanta University Center Data Science Initiative
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