



Don Blandin
President and CEO, Investor Protection Trust
Invited Presenter for Panel on:

Finding and Utilizing Resources for Investor Education Programmes
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Don Blandin has been building coalitions and partnerships for over a third of a century. He has worked with a wide variety of sectors including: business and industry; non-profit; academia and philanthropic foundations; and federal, state, and local government, both in the U.S. and globally. Over the years, Don has become a strong supporter and believer in the strength of partnerships.

Even now as president of the Investor Protection Trust, a charitable trust engaged in programs to promote wise and safe investing, Don is committed to helping Americans achieve financial independence. Don's messages to all public- and private sector partners continues to be, "By combining and leveraging our comprehensive networks and resources under the banner of national and international coalitions, we are able to reach people that none of us would be able to reach alone."

During this panel, Don will speak on his personal experience by addressing "The Basics of A Successful Coalition: Five Lessons Learned." From what may seem to be rules that are fairly simple and easy to follow, Don will share his insights on how to use these five principles to create a partnership that lasts and most importantly, achieves its mission.