

# Innovation in the United States: Myths and Realities

The structure supporting innovation in the United States is radically different from what was in place just thirty or forty years ago. Dr. Fred Block, UC Davis Dept. of Sociology, will provide an overview of this transformation and will examine the institutional complexity of the current innovation system. There will be a particular emphasis on the interface among government institutions, universities, and private firms—both large and small—with an argument about what lessons can be drawn from the past. What institutions are missing and what kind of new organizations could help overcome current bottlenecks?

COMMUNITY PRESENTATION

Sept.  
**15**

**5:30 – 7 p.m.**

Tahoe Center for Environmental  
Sciences, 291 Country Club Dr.,  
Incline Village, Nevada

\$5 suggested donation,  
refreshments and no-host bar 5:30  
p.m., presentation begins at 6 p.m.

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