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**November
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**November 19, 2015 AGA Atlanta Chapter
Professional Development
Keys to Financial Management**

There will be three Great Speakers at the event, covering topics from Risk Management to being a Manager. You will be motivated and educated while networking with top professionals of Government. Here are brief bios of three of the presenters.

Speaker: Dr. Sridhar (Sri) Ramamoorti



Dr. Sridhar Ramamoorti, ACA, CPA/CITP/CFF/CGMA, CIA, CFE, CFSA, CGAP, CGFM, CGMA, CRMA, CRP, MAFF, is currently an Associate Professor in the School of Accountancy and Director-Board Culture and Behavioral Dynamics, Center for Corporate Governance at Kennesaw State University, in Kennesaw, Georgia. He specializes in corporate governance, risk management, external and internal auditing, internal controls, international financial reporting standards (IFRS), and forensic accounting. A prolific contributor to the literature in governance, risk, and compliance, Dr. Ramamoorti is co-author of over 35 articles in respected academic and practitioner-oriented journals, as well as 12 books and monographs. From 1998-2010, Dr. Ramamoorti served on the editorial board of AGA's Journal of Government Financial Management, earned the CGFM designation in 2006, and continues to be an Atlanta-chapter member. He won the AGA National President's award twice: in 2004 for journal editorial service, and in 2006, for chairing the Academy for Government Accountability. [Find out more about Dr. Ramamoorti and the topic of discussion.](#)

Speaker: Dr. Carolyn Bourdeaux



Carolyn Bourdeaux is an Associate Professor of Public Management and Policy at the Andrew Young School of Policy

Studies at Georgia State University in Atlanta, Georgia and is Director of the Center for State and Local Finance. From 2007-2010, Dr. Bourdeaux was on leave from the University to serve as Director of Georgia's Senate Budget and Evaluation Office. Her background in academia and work in the public sector spans a wide range of areas that include state budget and tax policy as well as transportation policy, land use planning, economic development, environmental policy, education, and administrative reform. Her recent research has focused on cutback budgeting, tax reform, intergovernmental fiscal relations as well as the legislative budget processes and decision-making. Recent publications include a review of State Tax Reform efforts around the country, Georgia's effort to implement program based budgeting published in the Journal of Public Budgeting and Finance and legislative influences on performance based budgeting reform in Public Administration Review. [Find out more about Dr. Bourdeaux and her topic of discussion.](#)

Speaker: Marvin Dereef Jr.,SFO



Marvin Dereef Jr., SFO is Deputy Chief Financial Officer at Fulton County Schools (FCS). In six and half years at FCS, his team has earned several awards from the Association of School Business Officials, International (ASBO) and Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) for Budget Presentations as well as the Certificate of Achievement for Citizen Centric Report from Association of Government Accountants (AGA). He has helped his school district maintain strong financial condition during this tough economic climate. Prior to joining Fulton County Schools, he worked as a Finance Officer for Scotland County Schools. Before that, as Grants and Capital Asset Manager at Clayton County Schools he received a Certificate of Excellence for developing their first comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Mr. Dereef holds a Masters of Accounting and Financial Management and a Bachelor in Business Administration with a concentration of Accounting. He is a certified administrator of School Financial and Operations (SFO). He continues to contribute to the School Business profession by writing articles and conducting workshops. He currently serves as the Chair of Early Career for the AGA Atlanta chapter and is active on ASBO committees. Currently he serves as the President of Georgia School Finance Officers Association.

[Find out more about Mr. Dereef and his the topic of discussion.](#)

Professional Development Opportunity

[Glenda Orstrander](#)
Education Chair

We are excited about this month's professional development opportunity on November 19, 2015. We have some great speakers. Please bring a friend.

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CGFM Chair

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[Marvin Dereef Jr.](#)
Early Career Chair

The early careers and development committee is designed to build, promote, and enhance the skills necessary for new professionals to be successful in the public finances sector. For

individuals early in their careers, establishing solid support systems through good networking is essential to ensuring maximum success. The AGA: Atlanta Chapter recognizes this need and addresses it by providing both the support and the resources to its members and non-members and by encouraging active engagement in the organization.

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