

2026 SPaRC RETREAT AGENDA

Friday, September 11, Illinois Conference Center

TIME	EVENT
8:00 – 9:00 AM	Check-In & Breakfast
8:30 – 9:00 AM	Breakfast Connect Tables
9:00 – 9:10 AM	Welcome Kamil Tamimie, Sr. Assistant Director, Training, Outreach, and Data Management, SPA
9:10 – 10:10 AM	Faculty Research Presentation Dr. Lara Waldrop, Y.T. Lo Fellow in Electrical and Computer Engineering
10:10 – 10:30 AM	Networking Break
10:30 – 11:20 AM	State of Research at Illinois Dr. Susan Martinis, Senior Vice Chancellor for Research & Innovation
11:20 – 11:40 AM	Presentation of SPaRC Awards Kamil Tamimie, Sr. Assistant Director, Training, Outreach, and Data Management, SPA
11:40 – 1:00 PM	Lunch & Networking
1:00 – 1:45 PM	Breakout Sessions
1:45 – 2:00 PM	Networking Break
2:00 – 2:45 PM	Breakout and Roundtable Sessions
2:45 – 3:00 PM	Networking Break
3:00 – 3:30 PM	TBD – More to come!