

Taking the stage is not taking a gift.

- You've been asked to speak at a conference or participate in a panel discussion. This includes free attendance, materials, and meals offered as part of the agenda. Is it OK to accept? Yes, but only for the day that you're a featured participant.
- Remember: Don't accept free travel or lodging from an outside source — either postal funds or personal funds must be used to pay for travel expenses.

When you don't accept a prohibited gift from an outside source, you focus on what matters most to customers — transactions free from bribery and coercion.

And that's smart business.

Contact the Ethics Office (ethics.help@usps.gov) for guidance on attending a conference for free.