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Dr. Lawrence Yun to speak at CMPS Institute Training in New York City

Ann Arbor, MI June 18, 2008 -- The [CMPS Institute](#) is pleased to announce that Dr. Lawrence Yun, Chief Economist and Senior Vice President, National Association of Realtors, will be a special guest speaker at the [CMPS Live! NY](#) training event July 30 in New York City. USA Today recently listed Dr. Yun among the top 10 economic forecasters in the country. The title of his session is "Market Trends and Forecasting."

"This session will be invaluable to the attendees – especially in this market," said Gibran Nicholas, Chairman of the CMPS Institute, an organization that certifies mortgage bankers and brokers. "Who doesn't want to know what one of the top economic forecasters in the country has to say about what is ahead?"

The CMPS[®] program itself is a life-changing experience as mortgage professionals gain financial knowledge that puts them in a separate category among their peers. "For our members to be able to hear from Dr. Yun is a very nice addition," said Nicholas.

CMPS Live! New York will be held at the [Helen Mills Theater](#) July 28-30, 2008. Members of the press can request complimentary attendance by calling 888-608-9800 or emailing Beth Maybee, Vice President of Strategic Alliances, at beth@cmpsinstitute.org.

Dr. Yun writes regular columns on real estate market trends, creates the National Association of Realtor's forecasts, and participates in many economic forecasting panels including Blue Chip and the Harvard University Industrial Economist Council. He regularly appears on CNBC, BBC and Bloomberg TV.

For those interested in the CMPS[®] certification, the three-day event and examination process includes extensive training in the five key areas essential to integrating a client's mortgage, debt and home equity strategy into their overall financial plan:

- Financial Market and Interest Rate Analysis
- Cash Flow & Debt Analysis
- Real Estate Equity Management
- Real Estate Investment Planning
- Mortgage & Real Estate Taxation Concepts

The CMPS Institute has enrolled over 5,500 financial professionals since its inception in 2005. The Institute was formed as a joint effort by leaders in the mortgage and financial planning industries to raise professional standards among mortgage professionals, and integrate sound financial planning advice into the mortgage process.

About the National Association of Realtors®: The National Association of Realtors®, “The Voice for Real Estate,” is America’s largest trade association, representing more than 1.2 million members involved in all aspects of the residential and commercial real estate industries. The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® strives to be the collective force influencing and shaping the real estate industry. Working on behalf of America’s property owners, the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® provides a facility for professional development, research and exchange of information among its members and to the public and government for the purpose of preserving the free enterprise system, and the right to own, use, and transfer real property. For more information, go to : www.realtor.org/research.

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