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1. **Midwest Metropolitan Areas: Performance and Policy**  
   *(November 28, 1995)*
   
   This conference assessed the performance of metropolitan areas against the backdrop of technological changes affecting the productivity and growth of urban areas. Policy issues included: assembly of central city land, amendment of environmental regulations for former industrial sites, and metropolitan governance.

2. **The Midwest Economy: Structure and Performance**  
   *(February 13, 1996)*
   
   This conference combined a long-term perspective on regional development with analysis of the issues raised by ongoing changes in the manufacturing sector.

3. **The Changing Rural Economy of the Midwest**  
   *(March 8, 1996)*
   
   This conference assessed the performance and prospects of rural areas in the Midwest. Participants analyzed the performance and location trends for production agriculture, as well as for manufacturing and service industries, as they affect rural areas.

4. **Work Force Developments: Issue for the Midwest Economy**  
   *(May 15, 1996)*
   
   Labor force training and educational provision in the Midwest help to determine regional growth and welfare. New roles for the public and private sector in enhancing worker productivity are now being developed, tested, and evaluated.

5. **Designing State–Local Fiscal Policy for Growth and Development**  
   *(July 17, 1996)*
   
   State and local governments wield many of the regional policy levers affecting growth. Participants assessed the role of public spending on infrastructure, state-local tax structure, and other development tools as they influence Midwest economic growth and investment. Prospects for flows of federal funds were discussed.

6. **Global Linkages to the Midwest Economy**  
   *(September 18, 1996)*
   
   This conference addressed the influence of global economic changes on the Midwest economy: foreign direct investment, import competition, and regional exports abroad. Prospects and policies for the future were set forth.

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