

USGBC Louisiana's Symposium on Sustainability



Tulane University - Lavin Bernick Center | Fri., Oct. 19 | 7:30 AM – 4:00 PM

WOMEN IN SUSTAINABILITY EMPOWER (WISE) BREAKFAST 7:30 – 9:00 AM RM: Kendall Cram

Topic: The Way Forward. Greening Louisiana for a Shared, Sustainable Future

Morning Keynote: Diana Guzman Barraza, International Energy & Sustainability Consultant

Women in Leadership Panel

Topic: Women Influencers and the Building of a Sustainable Louisiana

Moderator: Melissa Gibbs, Business Development & Small/Disadvantaged Contractor Outreach, Gibbs Construction

Speakers: Donna M. Barry, Manager, Facilities Planning & Operations, Entergy Services, Inc. | Diana Guzman Barraza, International Energy & Sustainability Consultant

EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS | 9:15 AM – 2:30 PM

9:15 AM Energy Panel RM: Kendall Cram

Topic: Energy Benchmarking for Large Buildings: National Best Practices and New Orleans Implementation

Moderator: Klassi Duncan, Director of Urban League Women's Business Resource Center and Entrepreneurship Center

Speakers: Camille Pollan, Energy Efficiency Program Manager, City of New Orleans | Keely Braud, Account Executive, Automated Control Systems & Certified Energy Manager and Certified Building Commissioning Professional, Association of Energy Engineers | Z Smith, PhD, FAIA, LEED Fellow, WELL AP, Principal, Director of Sustainability & Performance, Eskew+Dumez+Ripple

9:15 AM Clean Jobs RM: Qatar

Topic: Clean Job Count: How Smart Clean Energy Policies and Building Efficiency is Driving Jobs and Economic Growth All Across America

Speaker: Bob Keefe, Executive Director, Environmental Entrepreneurs (E2); Greg Lemons, Mayor of Abita Springs | Jeff Haag, Owner of Diversified Energy | Robin Munici, Project Lead, Energy Smart NOLA

10:30 AM Urban Coastal Communities Panel RM: Kendall Cram

Topic: Engaging Urban Coastal Communities in Restoration

Speakers: Arthur Johnson, CEO, Center for Sustainable Engagement and Development (CSED) | Amanda Moore, Deputy Director, Mississippi River Delta Restoration Program, National Wildlife Federation | Happy Johnson, Co-founder, Team Happy Foundation | Kristi Trail, Executive Director, Lake Pontchartrain Basin Foundation | Charles E. Allen, III, Community Engagement Director for the Gulf Coast at Audubon Louisiana

10:30 AM Sustainability Technology Panel RM: Qatar

Topic: Environmental Solutions Technologies

Moderator: David Holtman, Managing Partner, Juncture Strategies

Speakers: Rebecca Cooley, VP of Manufactured Interior Construction, AOS - Interior Environments - Product: DIRT Modular Wall System | Tom Neyhart, CEO, Posigen - Product: Solar Solutions | Jeffrey Cantin, Owner, Solar Alternatives – Product: Energy Storage

SUSTAINABILITY AWARDS LUNCHEON

11:45 AM – 1:15 PM RM: Kendall Cram

Lunch Keynote Speaker: David Pogue, Senior Vice President, Global Client Care & Sustainability, CBRE

Topic: Shared Value: What do you want to be known for?

1:30 PM: Storm Water Management Panel

Topic: Grey to Green to Smart: The Next Generation of Urban Stormwater Management

Speakers: Anthony Mayer, CEO, Hanging Gardens, LLC | Brad Klamer, City of New Orleans | Cameron Bonnett, Sewer and Water Board of New Orleans | Ester Wensink, Water Lily

GUIDED TOUR | 3:00 – 4:00 PM

Tulane LEED Building Guided Tour