



Schedule-at-a-Glance

Tuesday, May 24th

**All times below are listed in Eastern Standard Time*

1:00pm – 2:30pm

Virtual Workshop

Join an interactive deep-dive session on a niche climate topic

Revising the Climate Leadership Awards

Hosted by: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

This year EPA, TCR, and C2ES are taking the opportunity to conduct a deep dive into our awards categories and criteria to ensure that after 10 years since the launch of the awards program, they are still accomplishing our goals of acknowledging and honoring the true leaders in climate action and GHG emissions reduction. Led by EPA, this workshop session will share the proposed updated categories and criteria, along with a proposed timeline for finalizing the criteria and application process.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Christopher Kent, Program Manager, Green Power Partnership, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- Matt Clouse, Chief, Energy Supply & Industry Branch, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- Dan Krekelberg, Policy Director, The Climate Registry
- Verena Radulovic, Vice President for Business Engagement, C2ES

2:30pm – 3:00pm

Virtual Exhibit Hall & Networking

3:00pm – 4:30pm

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Supply Chain Mobilization: Moving Beyond the Basics

Hosted by: Jacobs

Organizations and governments are in the spotlight to reduce their GHG footprint and ensure their facilities and supply chains are resilient to the risks of climate change. In response, organizations are making bold commitments to address value chain emissions without relying on offsets. In this workshop, Jacobs and its partners will bring real-world lessons learned from implementing supply chain strategies and solutions, with actionable tools and practical resources for moving beyond the foundational step of using spend data to screen Scope 3 emissions and prioritize suppliers.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Chelsea Hasenauer, Carbon Management Consultant, Jacobs

6:00pm – 8:00pm

Conference Registration Opens (in-person only)

Get a jump start on the day ahead by processing your registration and picking up your badge.

7:00am – 6:00pm **Conference Registration Open**

7:00am – 8:45am **Networking Breakfast**

9:00am – 10:10am **Interactive Workshops** (in-person only)
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Setting Net Zero Goals: Challenges of Scope 3 Claims and Allocation

Hosted by: Intel

This workshop will explore how certain sectors, especially manufacturing, go about setting a net zero goal. It will also dive into the specifics of the challenges of Scope 3 claims and allocation.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Dr. Neal Elliott, Ph.D, P.E., American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy
- Dr. Natasha Hodas, Ph.D, Intel Corporation
- Sharon Nolen, P.E., C.E.M., Eastman Chemical Company
- Erik Mohn, Schneider Electric

Climate Resilience in Action: Leveraging Federal Support to Move the Needle

Hosted by: Center for Climate and Energy Solutions

Confirmed Speakers:

- Sarah Gould, Los Alamos National Laboratory
- Shannon Blair, Los Alamos National Laboratory
- Paul Robinson, RISE Resilience Innovations

TBD

10:10am-10:30am **Networking and Refreshments Break**

10:30am-11:40am **Interactive Workshops** (in-person only)
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SBTi Net Zero and Moving Beyond Value Chain Mitigation

Hosted by: World Wildlife Fund

In this workshop, WWF experts will present how the Science-Based Targets initiative's Net Zero standard and new methodology for companies setting targets with footprints in the Forest, Land and Ag (FLAG) sectors are creating a new benchmark for the integrity of corporate Net Zero claims. We will explore how these new methodologies will interact with other developments, such as the

Elevating ESG to the Board Level and Beyond

Hosted by: Diligent

This session will discuss the benefits of building a strong ESG program, how to treat ESG disclosures, and how best climate leaders can present their efforts to internal stakeholders while also articulating the business value behind it. In an effort to instill confidence in their work and help influence ESG policies and programs the workshop aims to

Purchasing Clean Energy for Impact

Hosted by: Center for Resource Solutions

Investments in clean energy are critical to meeting growing energy demand and reducing carbon emissions. Today, corporate and institutional buyers of clean energy are also looking to maximize the environmental impact of their procurement. Participants of this workshop will explore different clean energy impact strategies and learn how buyers can measure and

upcoming GHG Protocol revisions and efforts to increase the supply and integrity of the voluntary carbon markets.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Tim Juliani, WWF
- Christa Anderson, WWF
- Tim Letts, WWF

provide tools to help practitioners: effectively communicate ESG policies; educate directors and executives on ESG strategy; and get their buy-in to adopt actions ensuring progress towards ESG goals.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Dottie Schindlinger, Diligent Institute
- Abbey Raish, Kirkland & Ellis LLP

communicate impacts associated with their procurement. Guest speakers will share their own clean energy impact strategies and how they navigate through common challenges. This workshop will also offer an interactive format for attendees to engage with each other and share practices and different strategies.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Peggy Kellen, Center for Resource Solutions
- Lucas Grimes, Center for Resource Solutions
- James Critchfield, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

12:00pm-1:00pm

Networking Lunch

Plenary Session (in-person & virtual)

1:00pm – 3:15pm

Carefully curated content focused on climate solutions and trends presented in the form of keynotes, interviews, and panel discussions

Welcome Address

Introduction to the 11th annual Climate Leadership Conference from our organization leaders and headline sponsor.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Amy Holm, Executive Director, The Climate Registry
- Nat Keohane, President, Center for Climate and Energy Solutions
- Antha Williams, Bloomberg Philanthropies

Policy Wins and Federal Action on Climate

Keynote address by White House Administration officials highlighting federal climate policy and how the federal government is reducing its own carbon footprint.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Andrew Mayock, Federal Chief Sustainability Officer, The White House Council on Environmental Quality

The Power Sector's Transition to Net Zero

Power sector leaders share how the industry is decarbonizing its own emissions and paving the way for others.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Lisa Jacobson, President, Business Council for Sustainable Energy
- Ralph Izzo, Chief Executive Officer, PSEG
- Calvin Butler, Chief Operating Officer, Exelon
- Pedro Pizzaro, Chief Executive Officer, Edison International

Driving Corporate Engagement in Climate Policy

Business executives discuss the unique role they play in moving the needle on climate and how to responsibly engage in climate and energy policy.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Victoria Mills, Managing Director, Environmental Defense Fund
- Steve Harper, Global Director, Environment and Energy Policy, Intel
- John Monsif, Director, U.S. Federal Government Relations, Carrier

3:15pm – 3:35pm

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Decarbonizing the Built Environment

Making up 40% of overall emissions, the built environment's pathway to net zero includes new opportunities for developers, builders, construction and materials.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Elizabeth Beardsley, Senior Policy Counsel, U.S. Green Building Council
- Michael LeMonds, Vice President of Environment, Land, and Government Affairs, Holcim US
- Nanette Lockwood, Global Director, Policy and Advocacy, Trane Technologies
- Joan Glickman, Program Manager for Residential Buildings Integration, Building Technologies Office, U.S. Department of Energy

Ensuring a Just and Fair Transition: When a Coal Fired Power Plant Goes Offline

This conversation focuses on the importance of community-level planning when transitioning away from fossil fuels as we race to zero.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Jeremy Richardson, Manager, Carbon-Free Electricity, RMI
- Shawn Patterson, Vice President of Environmental Management and Safety, DTE Energy

Electrifying Transportation: Opportunities and Roadblocks

Public and private sector professionals discuss the necessity of, and progress towards, electrifying our transportation sector.

Confirmed Speakers:

- James Schroll, Energy and Transport Senior Analyst, Abt Associates
- Cynthia Williams, Global Director, Sustainability, Homologation and Compliance, Ford
- Michael Berube, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Sustainable Transportation, U.S. Department of Energy

Climate Finance: How Public Dollars Can Catalyze Private Investment

Experts discuss the significant capital and investment needed to achieve net zero and the breakthrough technologies and trends on the horizon.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Rick Saines, Partner, Pollination

- Alex Liftman, Global Environmental Executive, Bank of America

5:45pm – 7:15pm

Welcome Reception (in-person)

Thursday, May 26th

7:00am-4:00pm

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Networking Breakfast

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Negative Emissions: The Role of Carbon Dioxide Removal (CDR) Solutions to Achieve Carbon Neutrality and Beyond

Hosted by: Center for Climate and Energy Solutions

Given the strong likelihood of continued carbon dioxide emissions from hard-to-decarbonize sectors, carbon dioxide removal (CDR) methods will likely be needed to produce the “negative emissions” required to achieve economy-wide carbon neutrality (and then carbon negativity). As more funding becomes available for CDR projects, this deep dive discussion will feature experts from research institutions, project developers, and policy advocates to identify major opportunities and challenges for the emerging CDR sector.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Mahmoud Abouelnaga, C2ES
- Scott Segal, Bracewell LLP
- Kelly Erhart, Project Vesta

How Federal Agencies are Prioritizing New Climate Funding for Transportation

Hosted by: ICF

The Bipartisan infrastructure Law has provided a significant infusion of funding to help the Biden Administration address climate change. In this session, ICF will lead a discussion with federal government transportation officials about how they plan to prioritize, provide support for, and create access to funding to make the greatest impact on climate change. The discussion will also provide information about funding opportunities and access for potential recipients.

Navigating the SEC Proposed Ruling: What does this mean for businesses now and into the future?

Hosted by: WSP

This session will cover the differences between current voluntary corporate disclosure practices aligned with the TCFD Recommendations and the GHG Protocol and what is proposed in the SEC ruling specifically highlighting the main differences. Breakout groups will brainstorm ideas on how to mainstream climate change into business functions, whether or not the SEC proposed ruling changes. In what ways are businesses already incorporating or mainstreaming climate change enterprise-wide (e.g., into their business strategy, risk management, and financial oversight), and what areas need to improve in the future to effectively manage climate change and reduce the associated risks?

Confirmed Speakers:

- Katie Eisenbrown, WSP
- Darius Nassiry, WSP
- Verena Radulovic, C2ES

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The Policies We Need to Jumpstart the Electric Truck Transition

Hosted by: Environmental Defense Fund

Despite making up only about 4% of vehicles on the road, the buses, work trucks and tractor trailers that distribute people and goods are the largest contributor among all highway vehicles to nitrogen oxide emissions and health harming fine particulates. Trucks are also a leading source of climate pollution in the U.S. The good news is the last five years have seen tremendous progress in both the supply and demand for large, zero emission vehicles. Accelerating the transition to zero-emission trucks is critical to meet net zero and other climate goals, especially for companies with significant Scope 3 emissions. But that transition will not happen without public policy. Therefore, net zero commitments must be coupled with advocacy for policies that create market certainty for zero-emission trucks and invest in clean, affordable charging infrastructure.

Coordination of Effort Across Governments to Address Extreme Heat in Disadvantaged Communities

Hosted by: Georgetown Climate Center

Extreme heat is an emerging public health crisis, causing more deaths than any other weather-related hazard, and is compounded by climate change. Due to historical inequities, people of color in urban areas are disproportionately exposed to high temperatures and suffer greater consequences. To address extreme heat impacts, every level of government needs to be involved. This panel will: provide an overview of programs and policies cities and states are employing to help their residents "beat the heat;" discuss the Biden Administration's Extreme Heat Interagency Working Group's efforts to support state and local efforts; and address potential areas for governments and agencies to add expertise, assistance, and resources.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Mark Rupp, Georgetown Climate Center
- Erin Garnaas-Holmes, DC Department of Energy and Environment
- Kathleen Dolan, Association of State and Territorial Health Officials
- Victoria Ludwig, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Nature-Based Solutions

Hosted by: Bluesource, LLC

12:00pm – 1:30pm

Climate Leadership Hall of Fame Luncheon (in-person & virtual)
Climate Pioneer Award Presentation (in-person & virtual)
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Building Resilience in Combating the Climate Crisis

Climate actors from the public and private sector share lessons learned and hope for building a climate resilient future.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Josh Sawislak, Managing Director, Deloitte Consulting
- Emily Wasley, Practice Leader, Corporate Climate Risk, Adaptation, and Resilience, WSP
- Sarah Greenberger, Associate Deputy Secretary, Department of the Interior
- Nicole LeBoef, Assistant Administrator, National Ocean Service, NOAA

Energy Equity and Environmental Justice

This conversation focuses on the importance of bridging energy, equity, and justice as we race to zero.

Nature-Based Solutions: Ensuring Quality and Longevity

An important strategy for getting to net zero, how are entities incorporating nature for mitigation solutions? Where are the most impactful projects to keep up with demand?

Confirmed Speaker:

- Alterra Hetzel, Vice President, Client Solutions, Climate Impact Partners
- Chris Adamo, Vice President, Government and Public Affairs, Danone North America
- James Mulligan, Senior Scientist, Amazon

Clean Energy Pathways

Procurement and development of new clean energy is an important step towards achieving our net zero goals.

Confirmed Speakers:

- Carla Frisch, Acting Executive Director and Principal Deputy Director, U.S. Department of Energy
- Maryam Brown, President, SoCalGas
- Bob Blue, Chair, President, and Chief Executive Officer, Dominion Energy

U.S. Climate Leadership Effort

Hear from the Biden Administration on its climate priorities.

4:30pm

Conference Adjourns

See you next year!