

Enabling Clean Energy Implementation Through Policy, Technology, Innovation, and Finance

Saturday, December 5th, 2015, 2:30 – 4:00pm CET
Main Plenary Hall, COP 21 La Galerie of Low-Carbon Solutions

The United States is home to a thriving clean energy industry and an increasingly cleaner energy system enabled by consistent policy, breakthrough clean technology innovations and advanced market development initiatives, backed by complimentary financing initiatives.

The proliferation of advanced clean energy technologies – from the energy efficiency, natural gas and renewable energy sectors, as well as distributed energy resources such as demand response and rooftop solar, are changing how the United States' century-old electricity system and the electric utilities that maintain that system operate. Join a panel of American companies and local government leaders to discuss how these elements have enabled the sustainable energy transformation and simultaneously driven economic growth.

Following the conclusion of this event, join these companies and other American exhibitors in the USA Pavilion for further discussion and networking.

The side event will consist of three panels on clean energy policy, innovation and finance.

On the Role of Policy

- Lisa Jacobson, President, Business Council for Sustainable Energy (BCSE), Moderator
- David Cash, Dean, John W. McCormack Graduate School of Policy and Global Studies, University of Massachusetts - Boston
- Austin Blackmon, Chief of Environment, Energy and Open Space, City of Boston
- Grady Crosby, Vice President and Chief Diversity Officer, Johnson Controls
- Kathryn Clay, Vice President for Policy Strategy, American Gas Association
- Fiona Cousins, Arup Fellow. Board Chair-Elect, US Green Building Council

On the Role of Innovation

- Peter Rothstein, President, Northeast Clean Energy Council (NECEC), Moderator
- Geoff Chapin, CEO, Next Step Living
- Russ Carnahan, Enginuity
- Tom Price, Director Strategic Initiatives, Allpower Labs
- Eric Webster, Harris Corporation
- Gia Snyder, Natel Energy

On the Role of Finance

- Andy Herscowitz, Coordinator for Power Africa and Trade Africa, US Agency for International Development (USAID), Moderator
- Mark Barnett, Foley Hoag
- Dan Lashof, COO, Next Generation Climate America
- Dan Esty, Director, Yale Center for Environmental Law & Policy

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