### Welcome



Leaders in Energy & AEE NCC Presents

7th Annual Clean **Energy & Sustainability** Extravaganza

March 12, 2021, 11am - 1pm EST (held virtually)



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**Leaders in Energy** 

#### **Master of Ceremonies – Christina DiBerardino**

Master of Ceremonies, Senior Account Executive at Direct Energy, a NRG Company and AEE NCC Board Member, and Chapter Liaison to the Council on Women in Energy and Environmental Leadership (CWEEL).





# 7<sup>th</sup> Annual CWEEL Clean Energy & Sustainability Extravaganza!



**George Washington University, February 2015** 



**George Mason University, February 2016** 



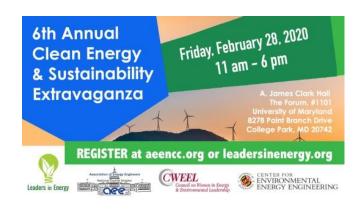
**George Washington University, February 2017** 



U of Maryland-College Park, February 2018



**George Washington University, February 2019** 



U of Maryland-College Park, February 2020

## **Our Program**

#### Part 1

- Welcoming Remarks Christina DiBerardino, Moderator and CWEEL Liaison on behalf of Association of Energy
  Engineers National Capital Chapter (AEE NCC) & Council on Women in Energy and Environmental Leadership (CWEEL)
- Welcoming Remarks Doug Millar, Edison Energy (Clean Energy Leader Sponsor)
- Panel 1 Opportunities for women in the energy transition and the new Administration (AEE NCC Council on Women in Energy and Environmental Leadership - CWEEL)

#### Part 2

- Welcoming Remarks Janine Finnell, Leaders in Energy (LE), Executive Director
- Panel 2 "Building Back Circular"
- Wrap-Up Upcoming AEE NCC and LE programs.



# Thanks to Our Sponsors

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# **AEE Strategic Objectives**

#### **AEE Mission**

"To promote the scientific and educational interests of those engaged in the energy industry and to foster action for Sustainable Development."

#### **Strategic Objectives**

- Connect our members globally, while meeting their needs locally.
- Addressing the urgent global environmental and energy needs with certified and qualified professionals
- Enhancing and solidifying the value of AEE membership



## **AEE National Capital Chapter**

- Non-profit organization founded in 1980
- Largest local chapter of a global network of over 18,000 members
- Host of monthly educational events supporting sustainable development
- Professional accreditation course for Certified Energy Managers (CEM)
- Annual career fair for professionals in energy, engineering, and related fields
- Affiliate student chapters:
  - University of Maryland
  - George Washington University
  - George Mason University



# CWEEL

### A Clear Purpose...

....The Council on Women in Energy & Environmental Leadership supports women in the energy & environmental sectors. It provides networking and support in career development for established professionals and young women aspiring to leadership.





# CWEEL Become a Member to Network & Grow...

...by meeting and participating in

- Local and Regional CWEEL events
- Mentoring Programs
- Scholarships
- Training & Certifications
- Quarterly Newsletters
- Visit <u>www.cweel.org</u> for information

We have over 25 participating AEE Chapters in US and 10 International CWEEL groups





# Thanks to Our Clean Energy Leader Sponsor Edison Energy

Welcoming Remarks - Doug Millar, Regional Director at Edison Energy and AEE

NCC Board Member







## Panel 1 – Clean Energy in Our Future



NIKKI MEHTA (Moderator) Director, Energy and Sustainability, Honeywell, and CWEEL Lead, AEE NCC



DR. KELLY LEFLER
Senior Advisor to the
Assistant Secretary for
Nuclear Energy at the
U.S. Department of
Energy



IDA NAMUR
Vice President, Director of
Operations for AECOM's
Energy Business and Vice
President of AEE NCC

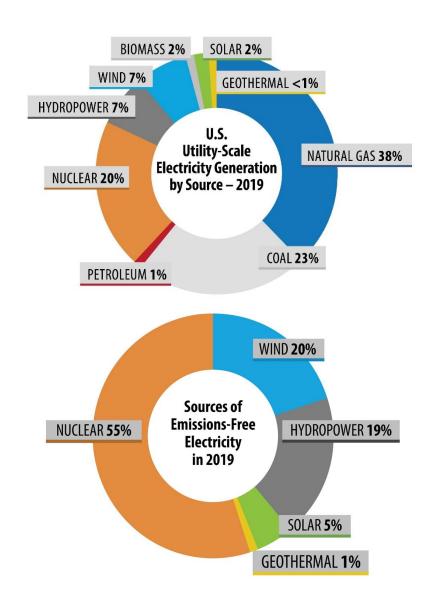


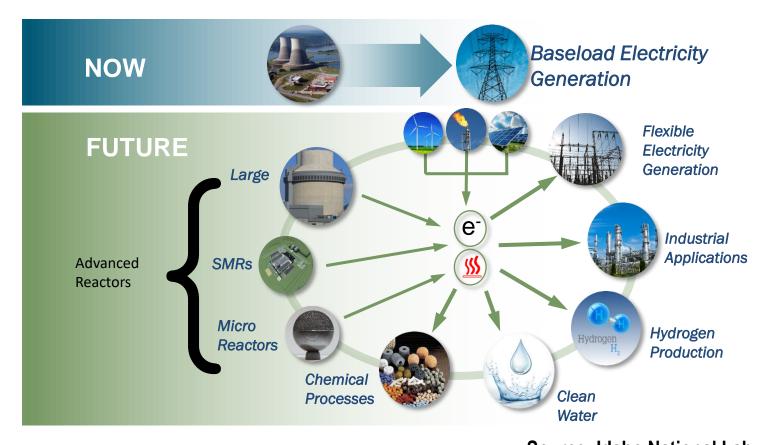
LEAH NICHOLS
Executive Director of
George Mason
University's Institute
for a Sustainable
Earth (ISE)



#### Kelly Lefler, Senior Advisor



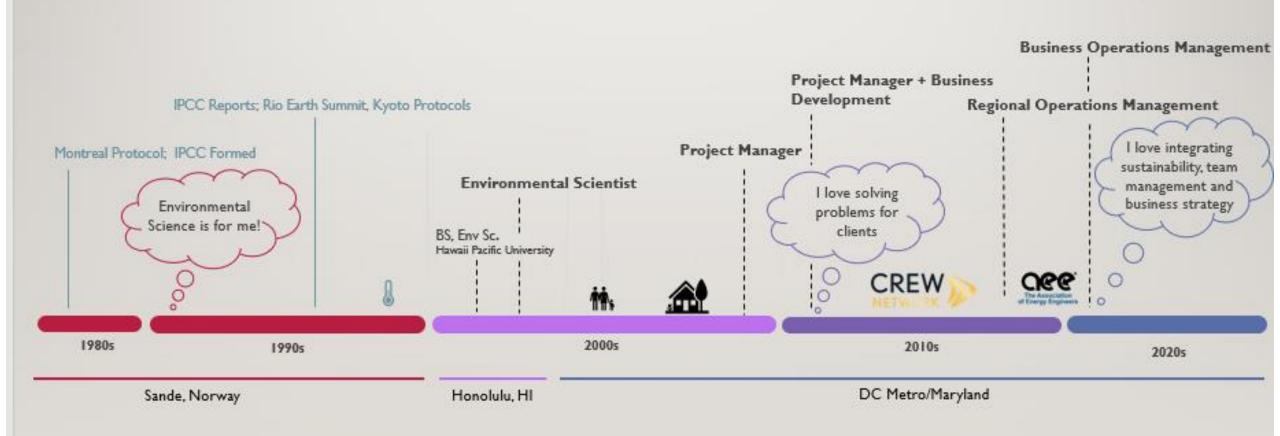




Source: Idaho National Lab

**Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration** 







Institute for a Sustainable Earth

#### Leah Nichols

**Executive Director** 

#### Do what is interesting and important to you

- Solve environmental problems
- Need to understand the social to make a difference
- Need to understand the interconnections to create sustainability
- Work to connect problem-driven knowledge production with use

Putting research and scholarship into action for a just, prosperous, and sustainable world.

### Welcoming Remarks by Leaders in Energy

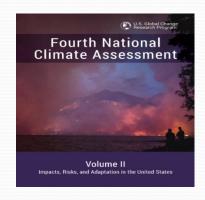
Janine Finnell, Executive Director, Leaders in Energy

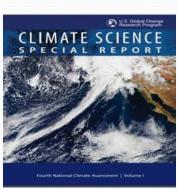




# Leaders in Energy VISION: The World Needs a Clean, Green Transformation "The Big Green Shift"

For sustainable development, for planetary habitability, for economic stability and growth, a massive shift is needed in the way we think, work, and live.













**Sustainable Communities** 



**Green Economy and Jobs** 



Multigenerational Leadership and Talent



# Building a community of leaders to advance clean energy and sustainable solutions

Join us on-line and at our events on cleantech, green jobs and finance, and leadership at:

leadersinenergy.org



#### **Accelerating Clean Energy & Sustainability Solutions**

**Green Finance** 





#### **Green Jobs/Careers**



Building
Sustainable
Communities
("The Big
Green Shift")



Green Marketplace/Circular Economy











# Who are the "Leaders" in Energy"? Working to Create "The Big Green Shift!"





#### Jobs for a Just, Equitable, and Green Future

Thursday, August 27, 2020 6:00 - 9:00 pm EDT (Held virtually)

Register at: leadersinenergy.org







# Panel 2: "Building Back Circular" Moderator: Lara Ilao, Chair, Circular Economy Working Group, Leaders in Energy



## Panel 2 – Building Back Circular



LARA ILAO (Moderator) Founder and Owner of Plastic Tree



MEAGAN KNOWLTON
Director of
Sustainability at Optoro



JIM SCHULMAN
AIA, Regional
sustainability
strategist, an
environmentallysensitive architect,
and a social
entrepreneur.



JESSICA WRIGHT
Senior Project
Manager at
ecoPreserve



**EMILY YATES**Smart City Director for the City of Philadelphia





# Powering the future of circular commerce

Meagan Knowlton Director, Sustainability



# **Upcoming Leaders in Energy Events**



- Circular Economy Working Group, March 24th, 6-8 pm EST
- Green Finance Working Group, March 25th, 5-6 pm EST
- Green Career Workshops, March 15<sup>th</sup> (Free info session),
   March 27<sup>th</sup> and April 10<sup>th</sup>



- 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Green Jobs Forum, August 26th
- 8<sup>th</sup> Four Generations of Leaders in Clean Energy & Sustainability Solutions Awards, December 3rd

#### THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING AND SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!

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