

Workforce Development Symposium

Preliminary Agenda as of 12.3.2021

Tuesday, December 7, 2021		
11:00 - 11:20 AM EST	OPENING REMARKS & INTRODUCTIONS	
	Speaker(s):	UTC President & CEO, Sheryl Osiene-Riggs
11:20 - 11:40 AM EST	KEYNOTE ADDRESS	
	Speaker(s):	The Honorable Commissioner, Diane X. Burman – Commissioner New York State Department of Public Service
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12:00 - 1:00 PM EST	SESSION 1- “Workforce Crisis: Statistics & Demographics”	
	Session Description:	This session will highlight current workforce statistics and demographics within the energy industry and the United States.
	Speaker(s):	Ron Hetrick, Bob Lockhart
	Moderator(s):	Sheryl Riggs
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1:20 - 2:20 PM EST	SESSION 2- “Post-Grad Panel”	
	Session Description:	This panel of academic leaders will share their outlook on the future utility workforce, utility education and training, and student perspective.
	Speaker(s):	Dr. John Aje & Students
	Moderator(s):	Mitchell Crocker
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2:40 - 3:40 PM EST	SESSION 3- “Energizing the Future Energy Workforce”	
	Session Description:	You’ve started your career in the utility industry, now what? In this session, hear from career professionals as they share their journeys and insight about what to expect

		<p>in early career life. What happens when you land your first job, where do you go from there? How do we encourage current students and their engagement in college and educate them on how it will help them in their career and beyond. Discussing the job application process and what to expect moving forward.</p>
	Speaker(s):	Tania Daniel
	Moderator(s):	TBA
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4:00 - 5:00 PM EST	SESSION 4- "Technology Solutions"	
	Session Description:	<p>How Can the Utility Industry Address Our Shortage of a Skilled & Knowledgeable Workforce through Technology? In almost every aspect of our industry we are struggling to find, hire, train and retain knowledgeable and experienced individuals. This leaves the rest of us with more work and less time to accomplish what is important. This presentation will focus on case studies of Utilities & EPCs that have combined their subject matter expertise with Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning to successfully address resource constraints and knowledge gaps. Whether its improving field data collection efficiency, data accuracy, synchronizing data & imagery from multiple organizations</p>

		or identifying defective equipment there are many opportunities to augment our industry knowledge with technology and proven processes.
	Speaker(s):	Matt Hand
	Moderator:	Bob Lockhart
<u>Wednesday, December 8, 2021</u>		
11:00 - 11:15 AM EST	OPENING REMARKS & INTRODUCTIONS	
	Speaker(s):	Tinisha Agramonte
11:15 AM - 12:15 PM	SESSION 5- "Driving Solutions for Future Utility Workforce"	
	Session Description:	In this session, hear from industry leaders and regulators as they highlight the importance of equipping students with the education and training necessary to advance their careers and rebuild our economy. What are some of the current laws, regulations, and policies regarding the workforce and how do we advocate for them? What needs to be done to improve them? Who is behind the decision-making process?
	Speaker(s):	David Springe, Gary Bolton, Brett Kilbourne, Eric Wagner, Campbell Baskin
	Moderator(s):	Sheryl Riggs
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Walker & Associates		
12:35 - 1:35PM EST	SESSION 6- "Utility Employee Spotlight"	
	Session Description:	This session will focus on utility employees, their success stories, & perspectives. It will also discuss Human Resources & Diversity, Equity & Inclusion within the industry.

	Speaker(s):	Matt Schnell, Matt Holthe, Michell Crocker, Paul Lambert
	Moderator:	Karnel Thomas
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1:55 - 2:15 PM EST	CLOSING REMARKS	
	Speaker(s):	Sheryl Riggs, Karnel Thomas, Brett Kilbourne