



Agenda

Mountain West Innovation Summit

Last Updated: June 20, 2022

Location:
Marian H. Rochelle Gateway Center
222 S. 22nd Street
University of Wyoming
Laramie, WY

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Concept Paper & Breakout Prep Materials:	Event Book (agenda, maps, bios etc.):	Forgot what Breakout you are in? Find out here:
 	 	 

Day 1 – June 21, 2022

- 7:45am** **Registration**
Location: Gateway Center Foyer (located near 116 on the Gateway map)
- 8:30am** **Optional Innovation Tour(s)**
-11:00am
- This tour will feature stops at Maker Spaces, Cybersecurity Labs and Drilling Simulator in the new Engineering Education and Research Building, the Energy Innovation Center, and the Center for Integrative Biology Research and new high-tech green houses in the new Science Building.
- Tour shuttles will depart from Gateway Circle Loop at 8:30 am sharp and arrive at the Science Corridor. Shuttles will return to the Gateway Circle Loop at 11:00 am. The tour will include about 8 blocks of walking between buildings.
- 11:00 am-** **Registration Continues ...**
1:00pm Location: Gateway Center Foyer (located near 116 on the Gateway map)
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- Lunch on Your Own – suggestions in Summit Guide**
- 1:00pm** **Launching the Mountain West Innovation Summit**
Location: Gateway Salons C/D
- Summit leaders formally welcome Participants to the University of Wyoming campus – and set the stage for the coming two days.*
- Dr. Edward Seidel**
President, University of Wyoming -and-
National Commissioner
- The Hon. Deborah L. Wince-Smith**
President and CEO, Council on Competitiveness -and-
National Commission Co-Chair
- 1:15pm** **Painting the Picture of the Mountain West Innovation System –**

Local Assets and Best Practices to Inform the National Innovation Ecosystem

Location: Gateway Salons C/D

A moderated conversation of the Summit Co-Chairs to discuss the local “geography of innovation” – challenges and opportunities to overcome in the region and add to the nation’s innovation capacity and capability – and joint goals/outcomes for the Mountain West Innovation Summit.

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President, University of Wyoming -and-
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Laboratory Director, Idaho National Laboratory -and-
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2:00pm

Summit Keynote

Location: Gateway Salons C/D

Dr. Erwin Gianchandani

Assistant Director for Technology, Innovation and Partnerships
U.S. National Science Foundation

2:45pm

**Past, Present, Future – Re-shaping America’s Innovation Agenda:
Perspectives from National Commissioners**

Location: Gateway Salons C/D

Leaders from the region and across the nation discuss the major findings to date of the National Commission on Innovation and Competitiveness Frontiers – and map key themes for its next phase of work over the coming 18 months.

Mr. Joshua Parker

Chief Executive Officer, Ancora -and-
National Commissioner

Mr. Steven Stevanovich

Chairman & Chief Executive Officer, SGS Global Holdings -and-
National Commissioner

Moderator:

Mr. Bill Bates

Senior Advisor, Council on Competitiveness

**3:45pm Exploring and Testing Key Themes of the National Commission –
Working Group Breakout Sessions**

Summit participants will break out of plenary and into moderated conversations. These breakout sessions will help test, inform, and shape new, parallel policy-generating “Working Groups” launching later this Summer in the “National Commission on Innovation and Competitiveness Frontiers.”

- **Breakout #1**

**The Future of Sustainability:
Accelerating Innovation in Energy Technologies**

Location: Gateway Salon A

Co-Chairs:

Mr. Rich Brown

Senior Vice President, Bank of America

Dr. Holly Krutka

Director School of Energy Resources, University of Wyoming

Dr. Cindy Powell

Chief Science & Technology Officer, Energy and Environment Directorate, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

Moderators:

Mr. Bill Bates

Senior Advisor, Council on Competitiveness

Mr. John Thompson

Director of Technology and Markets, Clean Air Task Force

Support Team:

Ms. Nicole Gautier

- **Breakout #2**

**The Future of Technology:
Developing and Deploying Disruptive Technologies at Scale**

Location: Gateway Salon B

Co-Chairs:

Mr. Andre Doumitt

Director of Innovation Development

The Aerospace Corporation

Dr. Neil Thompson

Director, FutureTech Research Project, MIT Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence Lab & MIT Initiative on the Digital Economy, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Moderator:

The Hon. Kimberly Reed

Former Chairman of Board of Directors, President, and CEO, Export-Import Bank of the United States,
-and-

Distinguished Fellow, Council on Competitiveness

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Support Team:
Ms. Ola Raddaoui

- **Breakout #3**
The Future of Work and the Workforce
Location: Gateway Salon E

Co-Chairs:
Mr. Jonathan King
Director, Labor Relations, Southern Company

Ms. Van Ton-Quinlivan
CEO, Futuro Health

Moderators:
Mr. Wesley Brown
Analyst, Keybridge

Ms. Yasmin Hilpert
Senior Policy Director, Council on Competitiveness

Support Team:
Mr. David James

- **Breakout #4**
The Future of Place-Based Innovation:
Expanding Regional and National Innovation Ecosystems
Location: Legacy Hall (located at 135 on the map)

Co-Chairs:
Ms. Marsha McDaniel
Senior Advisor
Idaho National Laboratory

Dr. Penelope Shihab
Director of Wyoming Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation, University of Wyoming

Moderators:
Ms. Allison L. Hummel
Chief of Staff, Idaho National Laboratory

Support Team:
Mr. Cameron Schoening

5:00pm Working Group Summaries in Plenary – Day 1

Location: Gateway Salons C/D

Summit participants return to plenary to hear key Day 1 Breakout Session summaries.

Nominated Leader from Breakout #1

Nominated Leader from Breakout #2

Nominated Leader from Breakout #3

Nominated Leader from Breakout #4

Moderator:

Mr. Bill Bates

Senior Advisor, Council on Competitiveness

5:30pm

Group Photo

Location: Gateway Foyer

5:45pm

Summit Reception

Location: Gateway Foyer

6:30pm

Summit Dinner & Special Keynote from Wyoming Governor Gordon

Location: Gateway Salons C/D

8:15pm

Day 1 Concludes

Location: Gateway Salons C/D

Day 2 – June 22, 2022

Morning **Breakfast on Your Own – Suggestions in Summit Guide**

7:45am – 3:45pm **Registration/Information Desk Open**
Location: Gateway Foyer (located near 116 on map)

8:30am **Welcome and Launching of Mountain West Innovation Summit – Day 2**
Location: Gateway Salons C/D

Dr. Edward Seidel
President, University of Wyoming -and-
National Commissioner

8:45am **Reflections and Re-Cap of Day 1 – and Charge for Day 2**
Location: Gateway Salons C/D

Summit Co-Hosts join President Seidel onstage to share top take-aways from Day 1 – and to challenge participants to cover issues remaining “on the table.”

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National Commissioner

Dr. John Wagner
Laboratory Director, Idaho National Laboratory -and-
National Commissioner

Moderator:
The Hon. Deborah L. Wince-Smith
President and CEO, Council on Competitiveness -and-
National Commission Co-Chair

9:00am **Summit Keynote**
Location: Gateway Salons C/D

Mr. Tony Aquila
Chairman & CEO
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9:45am Re-Convene - Working Groups Day 2

Summit participants will reconvene in breakout groups, continuing a moderated conversations to shape initial recommendations and ideas to inform the National Commission on Innovation and Competitiveness Frontiers.

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- **Breakout #3**
The Future of Work and the Workforce
Location: Gateway Salon E

Co-Chairs:
Ms. Robin Cooley
Director, Wyoming Workforce Services

Ms. Hope Morrow
Economist & Lead for Workforce Development, Idaho National Laboratory

Moderators:
Mr. Wesley Brown
Analyst, Keybridge

Ms. Yasmin Hilpert
Senior Policy Director, Council on Competitiveness

Support Team:
Mr. David James

- **Breakout #4**
**The Future of Place-Based Innovation:
Expanding Regional and National Innovation Ecosystems**
Location: Legacy Hall (located at 135 on the map)

Co-Chairs:
Ms. Betsey Hale
CEO, Laramie County Corporation for Economic Development (LEADS)

Ms. Marsha McDaniel
Senior Advisor
Idaho National Laboratory

Moderator:
Ms. Allison L. Hummel
Chief of Staff, Idaho National Laboratory

Support Team:
Mr. Cameron Schoening

11:15am Working Groups Break – Return to Plenary

11:30am Working Group Summaries in Plenary – Day 2
Location: Gateway Salons C/D

Summit participants will return to plenary – to hear Day 2 breakout summaries.

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Nominated Leader from Breakout #4

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Senior Advisor, Council on Competitiveness

Noon Lunch
Location: Gateway Salons C/D

**1:00pm The Future of Innovation –
Plenary Perspectives from the Mountain West and Lessons for the National
Commission on Innovation and Competitiveness Frontiers**
Location: Gateway Salons C/D

The following short presentations – in plenary – will tease and uncover critical, future-oriented challenges and opportunities to inspire regional and national leaders.

1:00-1:30pm The Future of Finance

Video Introduction “U.S. Competitiveness in the Financial Innovation Space”:

The Hon. Cynthia Lummis

Senator of Wyoming

Prof. Steve Lupien

Director of the Center for Blockchain and Digital Innovation, University of Wyoming

Dr. Ali Nejadmalayeri

John A. Guthrie Endowed Chair of Banking and Financial Services, University of Wyoming

Moderator:

Mr. Bill Bates

Senior Advisor, Council on Competitiveness

1:30-2:00pm **The Future of Energy**

The Hon. David Freudenthal
Former Governor, Wyoming

Mr. Gregory P. Hill
President and Chief Operating Officer, Hess Corporation -and-
National Commissioner

Moderator:
Dr. John Wagner
Laboratory Director, Idaho National Laboratory -and-
National Commissioner

2:00-2:30pm **The Future of Place-Based Innovation**

Dr. Sally Morton
Executive Vice President, Knowledge Enterprise, Arizona State University

Dr. Dan McCoy
Director of Wyoming Outreach, Recreation, Tourism and Hospitality Initiative

Moderator:
The Hon. Deborah L. Wince-Smith
President and CEO, Council on Competitiveness -and-
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2:30-3:00pm **The Future of Partnerships between Industry, Academia, the
National Laboratories, and Critical Stakeholders**

Dr. Parag Chitnis
Vice President for Research and Economic Development, University of Wyoming

Dr. Marianne Walck
Deputy Laboratory Director for Science and Technology and Chief Research Officer, Idaho National
Laboratory

Moderator:
Dr. Edward Seidel
President, University of Wyoming -and-
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3:00pm **Next Steps for the National Commission**
Location: Gateway Salons C/D

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