

## Water Infrastructure Finance Exchange

June 28, 2018 | 8:00 AM to 12:15 PM

U.S. Chamber of Commerce

1615 H Street, NW, Washington, DC

DRAFT AGENDA

8:00 AM      Networking Breakfast and Registration

8:30 AM      Welcome and Priorities

- Neil Bradley, Executive Vice and Chief Policy Officer, U.S. Chamber of Commerce
- Edna Primrose, Assistant Administrator for Rural Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture

*Annotation: Participants will also introduce themselves and their expectations.*

9:00 AM      Context for Water Infrastructure Needs and Finance Landscape

- Usha Rao-Monari, CEO, Global Development Partners, Partner, U.S. Water Finance Roundtable
- Ed Mortimer, Vice President, Infrastructure, U.S. Chamber of Commerce

*Annotation: Speakers will outline the current financing and policy landscape, followed by questions and answers.*

9:25 AM      Demystifying Water Investments

- Hank Habicht, Member, U.S. Water Partnership National Executive Committee, Partner, U.S. Water Finance Roundtable

*Annotation: Mr. Habicht will highlight the U.S. Water Finance Roundtable approach and ask participants to define key information needs.*

9:55 AM      Potential Innovative Financing Models

- **Moderator:** Dr. Newsha Ajami, Director of Urban Water Policy with Stanford University's Water in the West and NSF-ReNUWIt initiatives
- **Discussants:**
  - Susan Bell, Managing Director, Water Funders Initiative
  - Jim Gebhardt, Director, U.S. EPA Water Infrastructure and Resilience Finance Center
  - Eric Lettsinger, CEO, Quantified Ventures
  - CAPITAL MARKETS MEMBER(S), B of A and/or others

*Annotation: Dr. Ajami will facilitate a discussion on water finance cases, including environmental impact bonds and innovative use and incentives for State Revolving Funds.*

10:45 AM Coffee Break

11:00 AM Local Needs Discussion

- LOCAL CHAMBER REPS

*Annotation: Local chambers will summarize water needs, innovative partnerships and potential projects.*

11:20 AM Feedback and Discussion

- **Moderator:** George Hawkins, Ad Hoc Group, XPV Capital
  - Who else needs to be included in the discussion?
  - Is there a pilot project that might be developed to demonstrate the opportunities for collaboration? Rural/Urban?
  - How can we develop an early pipeline of projects?
  - What are policy “enablers” that might help?
  - Other questions

12:00 PM Outcomes and Next Steps

- Chuck Chaitovitz, Vice President, Environmental Affairs and Sustainability, U.S. Chamber of Commerce

12:15 PM Adjourn

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