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## Symposium on Energy, Infrastructure, and Sustainability

**NOVEMBER 20, 2024**

**Hyatt Regency Washington  
on Capitol Hill**

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# SCHEDULE

## **Guest Check-In & Networking Breakfast**

**8:00 AM - 9:00 AM**

## **Opening Session**

**9:00 AM - 10:00 AM**

## **Morning Session**

**10:15 AM - 11:15 AM**

## **Closing Session**

**11:30 AM - 12:30 PM**

## **Grab & Go Lunch**

**12:30 PM - 1:00 PM**

# OPENING

## SESSION

# AGENDA

## Innovations in Energy, Infrastructure, and Sustainability: Transforming Consumer Products and Building a Resilient Future

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM | The Regency Ballroom

This opening session will bring together leaders from various business sectors to discuss the transformative potential of recent federal investments in building a resilient and sustainable America. Key topics will include the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) and the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), focusing on how these landmark pieces of legislation are reshaping the landscape of energy and infrastructure in the U.S.

Panelists will explore the challenges and opportunities in grid resilience, regional infrastructure projects, building resilient supply chains, the transition to clean energy, and how consumer businesses are navigating this environment. The session will also address the importance of inclusive contracting and ensuring that investments benefit all communities, particularly those historically underserved. Industry leaders, policymakers, and experts will share insights on the future of energy and infrastructure, emphasizing the need for collaboration and innovation to achieve long-term sustainability and economic growth.

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### Speakers



**Rep. Jesus "Chuy" Garcia (IL-04)**  
MEMBER REMARKS



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MODERATOR  
Professor of Engineering and Applied Science, The George Washington University



**Gina Maglionico**  
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Political and Legislative Director, International Association of Iron Workers



**Frederick Pfaeffle Arana**  
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**Barbara Sulbaran**  
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Goodwill Clean Tech Accelerator Program Coordinator, Accenture



**Fabian Villalobos**  
PANELIST  
Senior Engineer, RAND Corporation

# MORNING

## SESSION

# AGENDA

## Clean Energy Transition: Challenges and Opportunities for Communities and Industries

10:15 AM - 11:15 AM | The Regency Ballroom

As the U.S. continues its transition to clean energy, this session will focus on the opportunities facing both communities and industries, with particular attention to workforce development and preparing the next generation of workers for the green economy. Topics will include the transition from coal-burning plants to cleaner energy sources like geothermal, natural gas, and solar power, and the economic and social implications for affected communities. The session will also address strategies for retraining displaced workers, creating new jobs in clean energy sectors, and ensuring an equitable transition for all communities.

Additionally, the role of clean energy tax credits under the IRA, the need for increased research and development in clean energy technologies, and the importance of sustainable practices in transportation, such as electrification and the development of sustainable aviation fuels, will be explored. Industry experts and policymakers will discuss how to align workforce development programs with the growing demand for clean energy jobs, as well as approaches to maintaining local tax revenues and fostering innovation.

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**Manuel Quiñones**  
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# CLOSING

## SESSION

# AGENDA

## Balancing Power Demand, Energy Transition, and Affordability: The Future of Oil, Gas, and Transportation

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM | The Regency Ballroom

As global demand for energy continues to rise with advancements in manufacturing, AI, and data centers, the energy and transportation sectors face the shared challenge of meeting these needs sustainably. This session will examine how key players in oil, gas, utilities, and transportation are aligning on goals for decarbonization, electrification, and infrastructure enhancements to support a cleaner future.

Panelists will explore the complexities of managing increasing energy demands across our infrastructure, transportation, and supply chains, focusing on the reliability of power generation and the impact of rising energy prices on low- and moderate-income communities. With renewable energy policies like the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) driving transformation, the session will address the challenges of scaling grid infrastructure, ensuring energy affordability, and maintaining reliability amidst growing demand. They will discuss innovative solutions, including the development of electric vehicle (EV) infrastructure, transitions from natural gas to electric power, and the integration of renewable energy sources into existing systems.

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### Speakers



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