THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 | DAY 1

Theme: Framing the Challenge

8:00 – 9:00 AM  Registration & Breakfast with Champions
Individual resource team members will host breakfast tables for informal discussion. Resource team members include:

 Dan Barry, *Municipalities Sector Director, ecoAmerica/MomentUS*
 Don Edwards, *Chief Executive Officer, Justice and Sustainability Associates*
 Jennifer Hirsch, *Cultural Anthropologist & Community Sustainability Specialist*
 Sarita Turner, *Senior Associate, PolicyLink*
 Ken Snyder, *CEO and President, PlaceMatters*

9:00 – 9:30  Welcome & Workshop Overview: What We Heard from You
Steve Nicholas, *Vice President of US Programs, Institute for Sustainable Communities*
Mike Crowley, *Senior Program Officer, Institute for Sustainable Communities*

9:30 – 10:45  Plenary 1: Designing Decision-Making Processes for Resilience
**Moderator:** Steve Nicholas, *Institute for Sustainable Communities*
**Presenter:** Don Edwards, *Chief Executive Officer, Justice and Sustainability Associates*

10:45 – 11:00 AM  Networking Break

11:00 – 11:45  Team Huddle #1: Getting to Work
Teams meet privately to discuss the status of their engagement efforts, identifying accomplishments, challenges and goals for this workshop and beyond.

11:45 – 1:00 PM  Lunch
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1:00 – 2:30  Plenary 2: Communications Clinic

Moderator:
Dan Barry, Municipalities Sector Director, ecoAmerica

2:30 – 2:45  Networking Break

2:45 – 3:45  Concurrent Sessions (Round 1)

Overview: Mike Crowley, Institute for Sustainable Communities

1. Exploring New Engagement Tools with Ken Snyder, CEO and President, PlaceMatters

   This session will explore different engagement tools – including digital engagement – that offer alternatives to traditional town hall-style approaches.

2. Collaborating with Community Leaders with Dan Guilbeault, Sustainability Programs Analyst, District of Columbia Department of the Environment, Office of Policy and Sustainability

   Discuss ways to recognize leaders in the community and collaborate for mutually-supportive goals.

3. Community-Wide Planning from the Bottom Up with Petula Burks, Public Affairs Officer, Public Affairs Office, City of Fort Lauderdale, and Heidi Pruess, Community Plan and Sustainability Officer, Mecklenburg County

   Discuss how to develop long-term community visions and comprehensive plans through “bottom-up” inclusive engagement.

3:45 – 4:00 PM  Networking Break

4:00 – 5:00  Plenary 3: Perspectives on Community Engagement & Reflections from the Day

Moderator: Steve Nicholas, Institute for Sustainable Communities

Panelists: Jennifer Hirsch, Cultural Anthropologist and Community Sustainability Specialist

Sarita Turner, Senior Associate, PolicyLink

Ken Snyder, CEO and President, PlaceMatters

5:15  Closing

6:00, 7:00, 8:00  Dinner (self-organized)

Meet in the hotel lobby every hour on the hour, between 6-8 pm.
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2014 | DAY 2

Theme: Explore and Inspire

8:00 – 9:00 AM  Coffee with Counterparts
Breakfast tables loosely organized by topics of interest to SCLA participants, providing an opportunity for participants to meet and speak with their counterparts from other cities.

9:00 – 9:15  Opening Remarks
Recap of Day 1 and Overview of Day 2 Agenda
**Mike Crowley, Institute for Sustainable Communities**

9:15 – 10:15  Concurrent Sessions: Choose Your Challenge
**Overview:** Mike Crowley, *Institute for Sustainable Communities*

1. **Communicating Climate Science** with Nancy Gassman, *Director, Sustainability Division, Public Works, City of Fort Lauderdale* and Kate Johnson, *Climate Programs Analyst, District of Columbia Department of the Environment, Office of Policy and Sustainability*

   Presenters will discuss practices and technical tools for presenting complex climate data and potential local impacts to the public in a relatable way.

2. **Developing Strategic Partnerships for Resilience** with Robin A. Roberts, *Chair, Sustainable Energy Advisory Committee for Senator Jose Rodriguez, El Paso*, and Anita Ledbetter, *Executive Director, Build San Antonio Green (BSAG)*

   This session will explore practices for developing partnerships with key stakeholder groups – including local anchor institutions, nonprofit organizations, and the private sector – to support common interests.

3. **Fostering Local Preparedness and Resilience**, with Erin Gill, *Director of the Office of Sustainability, City of Knoxville*, and Jason Biermann, *Deputy Director of Emergency Management, Snohomish County*

   This session will explore how to make meaningful connections between community engagement, resilience, and emergency preparedness.

10:15 – 11:15  Team Huddle #2: Strategizing & Committing to Action
Teams meet privately to develop action agendas featuring specific actions they will take upon returning home to strengthen, advance and accelerate their work – individually and as a team.

11:15 – 12:00 PM  Closing Plenary: Sharing Our Commitments
**Round-the-Horn Report-Outs and Closing Remarks**
**Steve Nicholas, Institute for Sustainable Communities**

Each team reports on the second Team Huddle (2 min. per team).