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Speaker Biographies



Libby Bernick, Senior Vice President, Trucost

Libby manages the North American business for Trucost, a London-based research firm that measures and puts a price on environmental resources and natural capital in companies' operations, products, and supply chains. Trucost data and econometric tools are used worldwide by leading corporations, investors, rating agencies, and consultancies to measure and report on environmental performance. With more than 30 years of environmental experience in the private and public sector, Libby has worked with organizations across North America, Europe, and Asia on green procurement and new product development, environmental markets, and life-cycle based decision-support tools.



Edwin Bisinger, Senior Science Advisor, Akzo Nobel Services Inc.

Dr. Bisinger received his PhD in occupational and environmental toxicology from the University of Illinois, School of Public Health, with a focus in chemical risk assessment. He is a member of the Society of Toxicology and is a Diplomate of the American Board of Toxicology. He has held technical and managerial positions not only in private industry, but also in the not-for profit sector, and is a former member of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.



Anne Bonhoff, Global Head of Chemistry, UL

Through her vision and expertise, Anne develops targeted business solutions to ensure the standardization, harmonization, and quality of chemical testing for consumer products throughout UL-STR's state-of-the-art laboratories. A thought leader in the industry, she is an expert on the topics of restricted substances, toxicology, environmental issues, ecological trends and eco-legislation. Anne frequently requested presents at high-profile events, and has authored several articles for publication. Most recently, she was inducted into UL's William Henry Merrill Society in recognition of her significant and sustained contribution to the advancement of safety science and safety engineering.

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Robert Buck, Technical Fellow, Dupont

Over his 25 year DuPont career, Bob has held a variety of research and development, marketing and management positions in DuPont's textile fibers and chemicals businesses. He leads a multidisciplinary research program to understand the environmental, health and safety aspects of DuPont surface protection products. He is a co-author on numerous peer-reviewed publications on topics including, physical-chemical properties, analytical methods, toxicology, environmental fate, and human exposure and risk assessment. Bob received a B.S in chemistry from Albright College (Reading, PA) and Ph.D. in Organic Chemistry from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.



Neil Burns, CEO, P2 Science, Inc.

In addition to his role as founding CEO of P2 Science, Neil is managing partner of Neil A Burns LLC, a strategic and investment advisory firm with a focus on the surfactant and oleochemicals value chain. Earlier in his career, Neil started up Oxiteno USA as a subsidiary of Brazil's Ultrapar and established VVF of India's US presence with an acquisition of a manufacturing plant in Kansas City. Neil holds a BS in Chemistry and an MBA from the Wharton School.



Judith Enck, Administrator Region 2, Environmental Protection Agency

Judith was appointed Regional Administrator of Region 2 of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) by President Barack Obama on November 5, 2009. She previously served as the Deputy Secretary for the Environment in the New York State Governor's Office. As EPA Regional Administrator, Judith's responsibilities are wide-ranging. In cooperation with state and regional authorities in New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands and eight federally recognized Indian Nations, she administers federal programs governing air and water pollution, industrial discharges, toxic substances, pesticides, protection of streams, lakes and the ocean, solid and hazardous wastes, the cleanup of chemical spills and abandoned hazardous waste sites, and much more.



Emile Homsi, Vice President, Research & Technology, DSM Engineering Plastics - Americas

Emile is Vice President of research & technology for DSM Engineering Plastics, NAFTA Region. In this role, Emile leads all business and application development, design support, project management, technical service, product development and field engineering for the NAFTA region and participates on the DSM EP Global R&T Leadership Council. Prior to joining DSM, he held various positions with major chemical companies as well as with General Motors and Chrysler. Emile has a Doctorate in Mechanical Engineering; a Masters in Technology Management; a Masters in Biomedical Sciences; and a Masters in Laws in International Tax and Financial Contracts.



Greg Howard, AAAS Science & Technology Policy Fellow, Environmental Protection Agency

Greg is an AAAS Science & Technology Policy Fellow in EPA's Design for the Environment (DfE) program, and Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies at Dickinson College, Pennsylvania. After first studying astronomy and physics, Greg trained in epidemiology and toxicology at Boston University School of Public Health. His research focuses on understanding how multiple chemical exposures may act together to cause adverse health effects, a key concern for communities impacted by pollution. At DfE, Greg collaborates on EPA's alternatives assessment for flame retardants in furniture, as well as on other DfE projects.



Al Iannuzzi, Sr. Director Product Stewardship & Green Marketing, Johnson & Johnson

Al is a Senior Director in the Worldwide Environment, Health & Safety department at Johnson & Johnson where he directs the Global Product Stewardship and Green Marketing programs. He has over 30 years experience in the EHS field and leads Johnson & Johnson's EARTHWARDS® greener product design process, product stewardship objectives of the Healthy Future 2015 sustainability goals, green marketing, and emerging issues programs. Prior to Johnson & Johnson, Al worked for the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and at an environmental consulting firm. Al has a Ph.D. degree in Environmental Policy and is the author of the books *Greener Products: the Making & Marketing of Sustainable Brands* (CRC Press 2011) and *Industry Self-Regulation and Voluntary Environmental Compliance* (CRC Press, 2002).

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Ellen Kondracki, Director, Sustainable Innovation & Stakeholder Relations, Becton Dickinson (BD)

Ellen has been a part of BD's Office of Global Sustainability since the Company formed the department in 2009, working with BD businesses that are advancing environmental sustainability in both their operations and product portfolios with a particular focus on stakeholder engagement and sustainability communications. Ellen joined BD in 2005 as an Environmental, Health and Safety Specialist in the Corporate Safety and Environment department and also served as Manager of Global Sustainability prior to her current role. She holds an M.S. in Sustainability Management from Columbia University in New York, and a B.S. in Environmental Science from Rutgers University in New Jersey.



Raymond Lizotte, Director, IT Environmental Stewardship, Schneider Electric

Raymond is the Director of the Environmental Stewardship Office at Schneider Electric IT (formerly known as APC). In his role as Director of the Environmental Stewardship Office, Raymond is managing the company projects and business processes necessary to ensure conformance to the many product focused environmental requirements that face the company. Initially, the Environmental Stewardship office focused on compliance with RoHS, REACH and other substance based regulations, but has since expanded to product sustainability initiatives such as Green Premium, Product Environmental Profiles and life cycle assessments as a means to generate value for the company.



Stephen O'Rourke, Technical Director, Polymer Additives, Hallstar

Stephen serves as the Technical Director for Product Synthesis and Application of Specialty Esters at HallStar. Prior to HallStar, he was a Technical Development Process Engineer of urethane foams at Insta-Foam Products, Development Chemist of urethanes and PVC products at Marchem, and Development Chemist/Production Manager of alkyd and latex polymers at Lanson Chemicals. He has published many papers and authored a book chapter on Esters, and holds fourteen patents. Stephen has a B.S and an M.S. in Chemistry from Eastern Illinois University and St. Louis University, respectively.



Kathleen Shelton, Director of Haskell Global Centers and Enabling Technologies, Central Research and Development, DuPont

As the Director of Haskell Global Centers and Enabling Technologies, Kathleen leads an organization of 400 people in Central Research and Development that support the creation and commercialization of new products. She enables the development of new, sustainable products that meet DuPont's Product Stewardship requirements. Prior to this role, Kathleen worked in Geneva, Switzerland, leading DuPont's corporate effort to meet the REACH chemical requirements and strengthening their Product Stewardship efforts on a global basis.



Frank Sherman, Former Chairman, Akzo Nobel, Inc.

Frank recently retired after a 35-year career with Akzo Nobel, the world's largest coatings company and a major producer of specialty chemicals with operations in more than 80 countries. In his last role, Frank led Akzo Nobel's U.S. holding company and oversaw the corporate shared service organization in North America which has 12,000 employees at over 750 locations. Frank has held leadership positions in various trade associations including the American Chemistry Council (board member), the American Cleaning Institute (chairperson), the Chemical Industry Council of Illinois (chairperson), and the American Chemical Society (advisory board member). He has a B.S. and M.E. in chemical engineering from Cornell University and an M.B.A. in marketing from the University of New Haven.



Tse-Sung Wu, Program Manager, Genentech

Tse-Sung Wu launched the Green BioPharma Program at Genentech, where he has been with the Environment, Health, and Safety department for more than ten years. His other responsibilities include managing various EHS compliance programs and operations, while supporting Genentech's research laboratories. Prior to Genentech, he was associate director of the Consortium for Environmentally Conscious Design and Manufacture at the University of California, Berkeley. He has also been a part of Apple's green design group and has consulted for the electronics and sports apparel industry on environmentally conscious design. Dr. Wu received his Ph.D. in Engineering and Public Policy and Civil and Environmental Engineering from Carnegie Mellon University in 1997.

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Lara Sutherland, Director of Business Membership, Practice Greenhealth

Lara, Director of Business Membership for Practice Greenhealth, is responsible for providing healthcare suppliers with the tools, resources, and data they need to better reach and better serve their environmentally-minded health care customers. Previously, she ran the Environmental Purchasing Program at Practice Greenhealth. Her past experience includes working in the Environmental Procurement Program for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as a cell biology research assistant at Harvard University Medical School, and as an analytical chemist at the Massachusetts Pesticide Analysis Laboratory.



Kyle Tafuri, Sustainability Coordinator, The Deirdre Imus Environmental Health Center at HackensackUMC

Kyle drives the sustainability program for HackensackUMC. He recently received his Masters in Sustainability Studies from Ramapo College. Before going to HackensackUMC, Kyle built the sustainability program at Corporate Diversity Solutions, a multiple commodity distributions company, which led to a 23 percent increase in sales in its first year.



Carl Van Horn, Professor and Director, the John J. Heldrich Center for Workforce Development, Rutgers University

Carl is a Professor at the Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, and Director of the John J. Heldrich Center for Workforce Development, both at Rutgers University. He is a widely recognized expert on workforce, human resources, and employment policy issues with extensive experience in public- and private-sector policymaking. His publishing credits include more than 90 articles and 15 books. Carl held several senior-level positions in government and higher education, including the Director of Policy for the State of New Jersey, Senior Economist at the Joint Economic Committee of the U.S. Congress, and Chair of the Public Policy Department at the Bloustein School.



Martin Wolf, Product Sustainability and Authenticity Director, Seventh Generation

Martin is responsible for assuring the sustainable design of products at Seventh Generation, Inc., a manufacturer and distributor of ecological household and personal care products. He brings over 40 years of experience in industrial and environmental chemistry to his work. Working at Seventh Generation, Martin has developed frameworks for environmental product design, helped educate his coworkers, customers, and consumers about the environmental impacts of consumer products and the industries that produce them, successfully lobbied for passage of phosphate bans in a number of states, and brought change to the cleaning products industry through more sustainable product designs. Martin serves as the Chair of the Sustainability Committee of the American Cleaning Institute (formerly the Soap & Detergent Association).



Curtis J. Zimmermann, Manager of Government Liaison, Innovation & Technology, North America BASF Corporation

Curtis is BASF Corporation's Manager of Government Liaison where he facilitates interfacing with governmental entities for growth opportunities strategic to BASF. In his current role, which he assumed on January 1, 2012, he is responsible for identifying governmental partnering activities and backward integrating them into BASF's technological landscape for evaluation. Prior to his current position, he served as the Manager for Inorganic Pigments and Materials for the Performance Chemicals Research Division of BASF in Ludwigshafen, Germany. Curtis is a Juris Doctor from Pace Law School and also holds a Ph.D. in Physical Chemistry from Clarkson University, New York.

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