Pathways to an Equitable and Just Transition: Principles, Best Practices, and Inclusive Stakeholder Engagement

Session 3: Equitable Access to Transition Technologies, Infrastructure, and Programs

The National Academies’ Committee on Accelerating Decarbonization in the United States: Technology Policy and Societal Dimensions will host a one-day workshop on equity and justice in the energy transition. The committee has been tasked to assess a wide spectrum of technological, policy, and societal dimensions of decarbonizing the U.S. economy. The purpose of this workshop is to inform the committee’s development of principles, best practices, and actionable recommendations to operationalize equity and justice in the energy transition with inclusive stakeholder engagement, in particular low-income groups and communities of color.

This third session will hear from those active in the energy transition about lessons learned thus far; what has worked and has not worked in the development and implementation of transition technologies, infrastructure, and programs. Speaker presentations will focus on what opportunities and barriers exist for future technologies, infrastructure, and programs to provide context for actionable recommendations. A moderated Q&A session will focus on and answer these critical questions:

1. Beyond the conventional focus on physical access, what is being done to examine the means, barriers, and solutions for communities to benefit from transition technologies and programs?
2. What principles, frameworks, strategies, and/or policies are being leveraged or implemented for transition technologies, infrastructure, and programs to achieve a just energy transition?
3. What could/should transition programs do to address past inequities and avoid future inequities?
4. What are examples of energy transition failures and successes from which we can learn?
5. What stakeholders are being engaged in the just energy transition? How are they being engaged? Who needs to be engaged?

TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2022

10:45 AM ET1 Welcome and Session Overview
Paty Romero-Lankao, National Renewable Energy Laboratory

10:50 AM Panel Presentations
Leslie Aguayo, Greenlining Institute
Pjoy Chua, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Darrell Grisby, Beneficial State Foundation
James Wilcox, New York State Energy Research & Development Authority

11:50 AM Question and Answer Session
Moderator: Paty Romero-Lankao, National Renewable Energy Laboratory

12:00 PM Adjourn Session 3

1 All times are in Eastern Time
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