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#### Roundtable on Science and Technology for Sustainability November 12-13, 2015

National Academy of Sciences Lecture Room 2101 Constitution Ave NW Washington, DC

#### Thursday, November 12, 2015

8:30 am Breakfast available

9:00 am Welcome, Introductions and Meeting Goals

David Dzombak (NAE), Carnegie Mellon University, STS Roundtable Co-Chair

Lynn Scarlett, The Nature Conservancy, STS Roundtable Co-Chair

Jerry Miller, National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine

## Measuring Progress towards Sustainability: Social and Economic Indicators and Metrics for Urban Sustainability

9:15 am Introduction to Panel

David Dzombak (NAE)/Lynn Scarlett, STS Roundtable Co-Chairs

9:25 am Keynote Remarks

Heather Tallis, The Nature Conservancy (Rethinking Sustainability Indicators: Evidence

from the Globe to the Ground)

10:00 am BREAK

10:15 am Panel I: Overview of Social and Economic Indicators and Metrics: Characterizing

the Issue

Moderator: Steve Bergman, Shell International Exploration & Production Company

- Diane Pataki, University of Utah (Urban Ecological Indicators)
- Charles Redman, Arizona State University (Models for Supporting Sustainability Decision Making)
- Robin Morris Collin, Willamette University College of Law (Social Equity and Urban Sustainability)

11:15 am Q&A and Discussion

11:45 am LUNCH

### 12:45 pm Panel II: Examples of Innovative Public Sector Sustainability Indicators and Metrics

Moderator: Richard Spinrad, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

- Duane Verner, Argonne National Laboratory (Using Climate Data to Inform Critical Infrastructure Resilience and Urban Sustainability Decision-Making)
- Gerardo J. Ruiz-Mercado, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (Sustainability Indicators for Chemical Processes)
- Michael Culp, Federal Highway Administration (Sustainability Indicators for Transportation)
- 1:45 pm Q&A and Discussion
- 2:15 pm BREAK

### 2:30 pm Panel III: Examples of Innovative Private/NGO Sustainability Indicators and Metrics

Moderator: Lynn Scarlett, The Nature Conservancy

- Matthew Mehalik, Sustainable Pittsburgh (Sustainable Pittsburgh)
- Fiona Cousins, Arup (Sustainability Performance and Metrics)
- Nancy Kete, Rockefeller Foundation (City Resilience Index)
- Maureen Hart, International Society of Sustainability Professionals (Measuring Sustainability for Communities)
- 3:50 pm Q&A and Discussion
- 4:20 pm Discussion and Next Steps

Moderator(s): David Dzombak (NAE)/Lynn Scarlett, STS Roundtable Co-Chairs

- 4:50 pm Wrap up and plans for next day (STS Roundtable Co-Chair)
- 5:00 pm **Adjourn**
- 5:00 pm *Reception* (Great Hall)
- 6:00 pm Working Dinner (Great Hall)

Speaker: Katherine Wallman, U.S. Office of Management and Budget

#### Friday, November 13, 2015

8:30 am Breakfast available

9:00 am Welcome and Feedback from Previous Day

David Dzombak (NAE)/Lynn Scarlett, STS Roundtable Co-Chairs

#### **Developing Sustainability Indicators and Metrics for United Nations Sustainable Development Goals**

9:10 am Introduction to Panel

Alan Hecht, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

9:15 am	2015 Global Sustainable Development Report Richard Alexander Roehrl, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs
9:35 am	Science, Technology, and Innovation for Sustainable Development Goals William Colglazier, American Association for the Advancement of Science
9:55 am	USAID Perspective on Sustainable Development Goals Ann Mei Chang, U.S. Agency for International Development
10:15 am	Q&A and Discussions
10:45 am	BREAK
Current Activities (STS Roundtable Co-Chair)	
11:00 am	Transition toward Sustainability after 15 Years: Where Do We Stand in Advancing the Scientific Foundation? A Workshop (Workshop scheduled for January 14-15, 2016) David Dzombak (NAE), Carnegie Mellon University
11:10 am	Pathways to Urban Sustainability: Challenges and Opportunities (Consensus report expected in mid-2016) Paulo Ferrão, University of Lisbon
11:20 am	Partnerships, Research, and Innovation for Urban Sustainability: Confronting Local Sustainability Challenges in a Global Environment (Meeting held October 15, 2015) Mark Lange, National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine
11:30 am	Addressing the Energy-Water Nexus: 2013-2014 Meetings in Brief David Dzombak (NAE), Carnegie Mellon University/Paulo Ferrão, University of Lisbon
11:40 am	STS Program and Publication Updates Jerry Miller, National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine
Future Activities (STS Roundtable Co-Chairs)	
11:50 am	Proposals from Roundtable Members for Future Roundtable Topics All Members
12:20 pm	Wrap up (STS Roundtable Co-Chairs)
12:30 pm	Adjourn