

Mobilizing the University for Climate **Transformation**

A PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURAL EVENT

Presented by the

Office of the Chancellor-Provost at Rutgers-New Brunswick, the Office of Climate Action, and the Office of the **Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs**

Date: Wednesday, May 4, 2022

Time: 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Location: Richard Weeks Hall of Engineering, Piscataway, NJ and Virtual



This is what Excellence looks like

Rutgers University is a leading center of research and learning. It's also a polity and economic entity with a multi-billion dollar budget, a community of about 100,000 people, and a footprint that spans the state of New Jersey. To realize the vision of its Climate Action Plan and become a global model for a large, public university that centers the global climate crisis in its mission, we must link all of these aspects of the university together in the service of decarbonization and the advancement of just, equitable climate solutions.

This presidential inaugural event brings together faculty, staff, and students from across Rutgers to learn about and showcase climate action and associated scholarship already taking place at the university and to identify new opportunities for collaboration among Rutgers community members.

Agenda Highlights

- Opening Remarks by Jonathan Holloway, President and University Professor
- Roundtable Discussions

Mobilizing University Climate Action

Moderated by Jonathan Holloway, President and University Professor Antonio Calcado, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Nancy Cantor, Chancellor, Rutgers-Newark

Francine Conway, Chancellor-Provost, Rutgers-New Brunswick Brian Strom, Chancellor, Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences Antonio Tillis, Chancellor, Rutgers-Camden

Laboratories of Climate Citizenship

Moderated by Prabhas Moghe, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Rebecca Cypess, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, Mason Gross School of the Arts Holly Nelson, Associate Professor of Practice, Department of Landscape Architecture Amanda O'Lear, Member, New Jersey Climate Change Resources Center Climate Corps;

Graduate Student, Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy Kendall Soto, Chair, Rutgers University Student Assembly Sustainability Committee; Member,

Office of Climate Action Student Advisory Board; New Brunswick undergraduate student Jack Tchen, Director, Clement Price Institute on Ethnicity, Culture and the Modern Experience

Partnering for Climate Action

Moderated by Kevin Lyons, Co-Director, Office of Climate Action; Member, New Jersey Council on the Green Economy; Associate Professor of Practice, Rutgers Business School

Noa Gafni, Executive Director, Rutgers Institute for Corporate Social Innovation

Larodge Johnson, Camden undergraduate student; Member, Office of Climate Action Student Advisory Board; community activist and photographer

Marjorie Kaplan, Co-Director, New Jersey Climate Change Resource Center; Co-Facilitator, New Jersey Climate Change Alliance; Associate Director, Rutgers Climate Institute

Steven Keleman, Director, Emergency Management Services

Robert Laumbach, Associate Professor, School of Public Health and Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences Institute

- Climate Transformation Showcase
- Climate Action Group Workshops
- Reception