



Ensuring Urban Resilience, Come Hell Or High Water



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New York City must become a climate resilient city, whether or not nations keep global temperature increases well below 2°C, if the world is to avoid irreversible and destabilizing damage. Prospects for chaotic consequences of such destabilization are grave.

These realities mean that the capacity of cities to deal with uncertainty is paramount and demands high-performing urban resilience measures. Creating an enduringly resilient city means innovations etched in steel, bricks and mortar as well as through 'softscape' innovations now emerging.

Urban resilience also means changes in land use along with better and more equitable ways to protect a city's people. Realizing these innovations requires that cities in the New York metro region and other cities around the world must give high priority to advancing the emerging capacities to foster and make the most of new approaches to climate risk management.

6:30–6:45 Registration

6:45–6:50 Introduction Nancy Anderson, Executive Director, the Sallan Foundation

6:50–7:20 Keynote Presentations

Dawn Zimmer, Mayor of the City of Hoboken, New Jersey

Christopher O. Ward, Senior Vice President, Chief Executive, Metro New York, AECOM

7:30–8:45 Panel Discussion

Moderator: Michael Gerrard, Director, the Sabin Center for Climate Change Law, Columbia Law School

Speakers:

Eddie Bautista, Executive Director, New York City Environmental Justice Alliance

Nico Kienzl, Director, Atelier Ten

Joyce Klein-Rosenthal, Research Scientist, Earth Institute, Columbia University

Kate Orff, Director, Columbia University, Graduate Urban Design Program

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