



June 26-28, 2022
Chicago, Illinois

Powering Forward in the Great Lakes Economic Region: Our Prosperity. Our Sustainability. Our Future.

NOTIONAL SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

Please note that session dates, times and formats are subject to change and are listed in Central Time

SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2022

7:00 – 9:00 p.m. **Opening Reception & Keynote Remarks**
The Honorable JB Pritzker
Governor of Illinois
Chicago Architecture Center
111 E Wacker Dr, Chicago, IL 60601

MONDAY, JUNE 27, 2022

7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Registration**
DoubleTree by Hilton Chicago - Magnificent Mile
300 E. Ohio Street, Chicago, IL, 60611

7:00 – 8:00 a.m. **Breakfast**

8:00 – 8:05 a.m. **Welcome & Land Acknowledgment**
Mark P. Fisher
President and CEO
Council of the Great Lakes Region

8:05 – 8:25 a.m. **Opening Keynote**
Bruce Heyman
CGLR Honorary Patron and retired United States Ambassador to Canada

8:25 – 8:50 a.m. **Plenary Keynote**
State of the Great Lakes Economy Outlook
Michael J. Gregory
Deputy Chief Economist & Head of U.S. Economics, BMO Capital Markets

8:50 – 9:15 a.m. **Plenary Keynote**
The State of Globalization: DHL Global Connectedness Index Update
Steven A. Altman
Senior Research Scholar, Director, DHL Initiative on Globalization
Center for the Future of Management, NYU Stern School of Business

9:15 – 9:40 a.m. **Networking Break**

9:40 – 10:20 a.m. **Plenary Panel**
Strengthening Our Democracies – Global Lessons for Closing Economic Gaps and Divides in the Bi-National Great Lakes Region
Moderator:
Gavin Bade

Journalist, POLITICO

Panelists:

John Austin

Director, Michigan Economic Center

Wolfgang Moessinger

Consul General (Midwest), Federal Republic of Germany

Mike Moffatt

Assistant Professor, Ivey Business School, Western University

10:20 – 11:20 a.m.

Plenary Panel

A Conversation with Great Lakes Chamber of Commerce Leaders – Working Together to Compete and Win in North America and Around the World

Moderator:

Nick Taylor-Vaisey

Journalist, POLITICO

Panelists:

Rocco Rossi

President and CEO, Ontario Chamber of Commerce

Heather C. Briccetti

President and CEO, The Business Council of New York State

Bruce Burrows

President and CEO, Chamber of Marine Commerce

Michael Fassnacht

President & CEO, World Business Chicago and Chief Marketing Officer, City of Chicago

11:20 – 12:20 p.m.

Concurrent Great Lakes Dialogues

Border Management (Room: Superior 1)

From Pandemics to Blockades: New Risks for Trade, Travel and Shared Border Management in the Great Lakes Region, Today and in the Future.

Moderator:

Nick Taylor-Vaisey

Journalist, POLITICO

Panelists:

Peter Petäinen

Bridge Director, International Bridge Administration, Sault Ste Marie, Ontario and Michigan

Patrick Whalen

President and CEO, Can/Am Border Trade Alliance

Warren Askew

Chief Operating Officer, The Federal Bridge Corporation Limited

Travel and Tourism: (Room: Superior 2)

Connecting the Region to Grow Business Travel and Tourism

Moderator:

Shia Kapos

Journalist, POLITICO

Panelists:

Brad Cicero

Director, Communications and Public Affairs, Porter Airlines Inc.

Laura Kliewer

Director, Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Commission

Michael Jacobson

President and CEO, Illinois Hotel & Lodging Association

Education (Room: State 2)

Great Lakes, Great Minds: An Update on Creating a Great Lakes Higher Education Consortium and Partnership Fund

Moderator:

Juan Perez

Journalist, POLITICO

Panelists:

Jisu Hong

Associate Vice President, Economic Development and Innovation, University of Illinois System

Brian Bauer

Director, Global Engagement, McGill University

Ashish Sharma

Illinois Research Climatologist, Illinois State Water Survey

Regional Economic Development (Room: State 1)

Building Back Better in the Great Lakes: Taking Advantage of our Binational Economy and Innovation Ecosystem

Moderator:

Zi-Ann Lum

Journalist, POLITICO

Panelists:

Susan Brehm

Regional Director, U.S. Economic Development Administration

Tyler Hamilton

Director, Cleantech, MaRS Discovery District

Earl Provost

Agent General, Ontario Trade and Investment Office – Chicago

Venkat Venkatakrishnan

Director of Research, Discovery Partners Institute

12:20 – 1:30 p.m.

Keynote Luncheon and Networking

Debra Shore

Regional Administrator, Region 5

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Concurrent Great Lakes Dialogues

Trade and Supply Chains (Room: State 1)

Supply Chain Pressures and Digitization: Building Regional Resilience in the Great Lakes in a Just-in-Time World.

Moderator:

Gavin Bade

Journalist, POLITICO

Panelists:

Martha King

Vice President, Programs and Projects, Farm Foundation

Jeffrey Weiss

Partner, Trade Policy Co-Lead, and Supply Chain Team Lead, Steptoe & Johnson LLP

Tom Quillin

Senior Director, Intel Global Government Affairs

David S. Gutheil

Chief Commercial Officer, Port of Cleveland

Multimodal Transportation (Room: State 2)

A Connected, Adaptive & Resilient Great Lakes Transportation System: Taking Advantage of the Great Lakes – St. Lawrence Seaway System

Moderator:

Mark Fisher

President and CEO, Council of the Great Lakes Region

Panelists:

Ian Hamilton

President and CEO, Hamilton-Oshawa Port Authority

Peter Hirthe

International Trade Specialist, Great Lakes Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation

Eric Oberhart

Senior Consultant, CPCS

Automotive & Mobility (Room: Superior 1)

The Road-Ahead for the Great Lakes Auto Sector and Driving Mobility: Navigating Big Opportunities; New Politics.

Moderator:

Zi-Ann Lum

Journalist, POLITICO

Panelists:

Scott MacKenzie

Director, Corporate & External Affairs, Toyota Motor Manufacturing Canada Inc.

David Adams

President and CEO, Global Automakers Association of Canada

Bernard Swiecki

Director, Research and Automotive Communities Partnership, Center for Automotive Research

Aviation & Space Technology (Room: Superior 2)

Reaching New Heights: Building a Globally Competitive Great Lakes Aviation & Space Technology Cluster

Moderator:

Stephen J. Petras

U.S. Director, Canada-US Law Institute, Case Western Reserve University

Panelists:

John Sankovic

President and CEO, Ohio Aerospace Institute

Fassi Kafyeke

Fellow Research Innovation and Collaboration, Bombardier Aviation

Jarrold Morley

Director of Innovation, Competitiveness and Productivity, Aero Montreal

2:30 – 2:50 p.m.

Networking Break

2:50 – 3:40 p.m.

Plenary Panel

A Conversation with Business Leaders – Strengthening the Great Lakes Region's Sustainability and Economic Success

Moderator:

Neil Hawkins

President, Fred A. and Barbara M. Erb Foundation

Panelists:

Susan McGeachie

Head, BMO Climate Institute, BMO Financial Group

Jonah Smith

Global Head of ESG & President of the Kraft Heinz Foundation, The Kraft Heinz Company

Scott MacKenzie

Director, Corporate & External Affairs, Toyota Motor Manufacturing Canada Inc.

3:40 – 4:30 p.m.

Plenary Panel

A Conversation with Higher Education Leaders – Leveraging our Learning, Science and Innovation, and Entrepreneurship Strengths to Build the Great Lakes Region's Future Today.

Moderator:

Juan Perez

Journalist, POLITICO

Panelists:

Johannes Britz

Senior Vice President, Academic and Student Affairs, University of Wisconsin System

Jay Walsh

Vice President, Economic Development and Innovation, University of Illinois System

Sandra den Otter

Professor and Vice-Provost International, Queen's University

Alex Mihailidis

Professor and Associate Vice-President, International Partnerships, University of Toronto

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Reception

7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Dinner and Great Lakes Changemaker Award Ceremony

TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 2022

7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Registration

7:00 – 8:00 a.m. Breakfast

8:00 – 8:20 a.m. Plenary Keynote
Climate Change, Nature Loss, and Inequality: Why These Global Issues Matter for Business Leaders in the Bi-National Great Lakes Region

William Sisson

Executive Director, World Business Council for Sustainable Development (North America)

8:20 – 8:40 a.m. Plenary Keynote

Fighting Climate with Nature: Reversing Wildlife Loss in the Great Lakes and Beyond

Megan Leslie

President and CEO, WWF Canada

8:40 – 9:30 a.m. Plenary Panel

Celebrating 50-Years of Protecting and Restoring the Great Lakes: A Transformative Force for the Region's Revival and Sustainable Development

Moderator:

John Wilkinson

CEO, Wilkinson Insight Incorporated

Panelists:

Jon W. Allan

Co-Chair, Great Lakes Water Quality Board, International Joint Commission

Christopher Hilkene

Chief Executive Officer, Pollution Probe

Alaina Harkness

Executive Director, Current

Patrick "Wedaseh" Madahbee

Anishinabek Nation Commissioner on Governance

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Concurrent Great Lakes Dialogues

Water Stewardship (Room: Superior 1)

Smart Great Lakes: Advancing Water Stewardship and Technology in the Digital Age

Moderator:

Dean Amhaus

President and CEO, The Water Council

Panelists:

Patrick Schultz

Chief Growth Officer, Veolia North America

Diane Kieser

Director of Continuous Improvement, Engel Tool & Forge

Matt Howard

Vice President for Water Stewardship, The Water Council

Materials (Room: State 2)

Circular Great Lakes: Forging a Future without Plastic Waste and Litter

Moderator:

Zi-Ann Lum

Journalist, POLITICO

Panelists:

Scott Hammer

Director of Corporate Sustainability, Charter Next Generation

Isabelle DesChênes

Executive Vice President, Chemistry Industry Association of Canada

Jonathan Quinn

Director, Market Development and Sustainability, Pregis

Walter Willis

Executive Director, Solid Waste Agency of Lake County

Climate Change (Room: Superior 2)

Decarbonization: Electrifying Great Lakes Transportation

Moderator:

Gavin Bade

Journalist, POLITICO

Panelists:

Suzanne Goldberg

Director of Public Policy, ChargePoint Canada

Claude Griffin

Executive Director, U.S. Business Council for Sustainable Development

Patrick Dalzell, CFA

Head of Corporate Affairs, Bruce Power

Eric Lee

CEO of Copper Country Capital

Farming and food (Room: State 1)

Agriculture 2.0: Sustainable Farming and Food Production in the Great Lakes Region

Moderator:

Debra Kahn

Deputy Sustainability Editor, POLITICO

Panelists:

Madelyn Koester

Senior Product Manager, Sustainability, John Deere

Jocelyn Brown Hall

Director, UN FAO Liaison Office, North America

Bryan Gilvesy

CEO, ALUS

10:30 – 10:45 a.m.

Networking Break

10:45 – 11:45 a.m.

Plenary Panel

POLITICO Morning Consult Global Sustainability Poll – A Snapshot of Public Attitudes and Political Leadership, to Who Should Pay for Environmental Protection

Moderator:

Mark Fisher

President and CEO, Council of the Great Lakes Region

Panelists:

Jason McMann

Head of Geopolitical Risk Analysis, Morning Consult

Debra Kahn

Deputy Sustainability Editor, POLITICO

Zi-Ann Lum

Journalist, POLITICO

11:45 – 12:00 p.m.

Greetings from Mayor of Chicago

Lori E. Lightfoot

12:00 – 1:20 p.m.

Keynote Luncheon & Networking

Aaron Annable

Acting Consul General and Consul – Foreign Policy and Diplomacy Service

Consulate General of Canada in Chicago

1:20 – 1:40 p.m.

Plenary Session - Biinaagami: Our Shared Responsibility to the Great Lakes

Charlene Bearhead

Director of Reconciliation

Canadian Geographic Enterprises

1:40 – 3:10 p.m.

Special Presentation and Plenary Panel

The Erie Situation- A Film about the Toxic Mix of Big Agriculture, Politics and Water Security Rights

Moderator:

Debra Kahn

Deputy Sustainability Editor, POLITICO

Panelists:

Wade Kapszukiewicz

Mayor, Toledo, Ohio

Ed Verhamme

Principal, Senior Engineer, LimnoTech

Howard Learner

President and Executive Director, Environmental Law & Policy Center

3:10 – 3:20 p.m.

Wrap-up and Concluding Remarks

Brian Ames

Chair of the Board of Directors, Council of the Great Lakes Region