Tuesday, June 25 — Wednesday, June 26, 2024
Northwestern Pritzker School of Law
Thorne Auditorium
375 E. Chicago Avenue
Chicago, IL 60611

Tuesday, June 25, 2024
11:00-12:15 Registration Check-in and Informal Lunch

12:15-12:30 Welcome and Opening Remarks

Lynne Kiesling, Director, Institute for Regulatory Law & Economics; Senior Research Affiliate, Northwestern Center on Law, Business, and Economics

Hari Osofsky, Dean and Myra and James Bradwell Professor of Law; Professor of Environmental Law and Culture (Courtesy), Northwestern Pritzker School of Law

12:30-2:00 Panel: New Technology Breakthroughs: Their Physical and Economic Implications

Moderator: Ted Thomas, Founder, Energize Strategies; Former Chairman of the Arkansas Public Service Commission

Panelists: Holly Benz, Clinical Associate Professor & Director, Master of Science in Energy & Sustainability (MSES), Northwestern University
Meghan Busse, Associate Professor of Strategy, Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University

Jana Gerber, President, Microgrid North America, Schneider Electric

Jeff Lopez, Assistant Professor of Chemical & Biological Engineering, Northwestern University

2:00-2:40  Active Break

2:40-3:15  Report Out/Discussion from Active Break


Moderator:  Pat O’Connell, Commissioner, New Mexico Public Service Commission

Rim Baltaduonis, Scientist. SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory, Stanford University; Associate Professor of Economics, Gettysburg College

Lynne Kiesling, Director, Institute for Regulatory Law & Economics; Senior Research Affiliate, Northwestern Center on Law, Business, and Economics

Josh Macey, Assistant Professor of Law, University of Chicago Law School

Ken Schisler, Regulatory and Government Affairs, CPower

Carrie Zalewski, Vice President, Transmission and Markets, American Clean Power Association

4:15-4:30  Break

4:30-5:00  Keynote Address: Title Forthcoming

U.S. Congressman Sean Casten, 6th District of Illinois (virtual)

5:00  Networking Reception

6:00  Dinner

6:45  Dinner Keynote Conversation

Pat Wood, III, CEO, Hunt Energy Network; Former Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Former Chairman of the Public Utility Commission of Texas
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7:30-8:30 Breakfast

8:30-9:45 Science, Economics, and Policy Lenses on Transmission Investment

Moderator: Ann McCabe, Commissioner, Illinois Commerce Commission

Panelists: Jacob Mays, Assistant Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering, Cornell University

Karthik Rao, VP of Customer Success, LineVision

Jim Rossi, Judge D.L. Lansden Chair in Law, Vanderbilt University Law School

Shashank Sane, EVP Transmission, Invenergy

9:45-10:00 Break

10:00-10:45 Energy System Resilience Issues Short Presentations

(10 minutes each)

- Winter Reliability
  - Timothy Fitzgerald, Associate Professor, Rawls College of Business, Texas Tech University

- Energy and AI
  - Kyri Baker, Assistant Professor and Lewis-Worcester Faculty Fellow, Civil, Environmental, and Architectural Engineering, University of Colorado Boulder

- Energy-Water Nexus
  - David Rankin, Executive Director, Great Lakes Protection Fund

- Grid Decarbonization/Complex System Dynamics
  - Ermin Wei, Associate Professor, Computer and Electrical Engineering,
10:45-11:15  Small Group Breakout Discussion of Resilience

- Winter Reliability
- Energy and AI
- Energy-Water Nexus
- Grid Decarbonization/Complex System Dynamics

1:15-11:45  Report Out/Discussion from Small Groups
            (5 minutes each)

11:45-12:00  Closing Summary

12:00  Adjourn

Confirmed Participants (as of June 3, 2024):

1. Kyri Baker, Assistant Professor and Lewis-Worcester Faculty Fellow, Civil, Environmental, and Architectural Engineering, University of Colorado Boulder
2. Rim Baltaduonis, Scientist, SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory, Stanford University, Associate Professor of Economics, Gettysburg College, SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory, Stanford University and Gettysburg College
3. Holly Benz, Clinical Associate Professor & Director, Master of Science in Energy & Sustainability (MSES), Northwestern University
4. Meghan Busse, Associate Professor of Strategy, Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University
5. Sean Casten, U.S. Congressman, 6th District of Illinois (virtual Keynote Address)
6. Timothy Fitzgerald, Associate Professor, Rawls College of Business, Texas Tech University
7. Jana Gerber, President, Microgrid North America, Schneider Electric
8. Lynne Kiesling, Director, Institute for Regulatory Law & Economics; Senior Research Affiliate, Northwestern Center on Law, Business, and Economics, Institute for Regulatory Law & Economics
9. Jeff Lopez, Assistant Professor of Chemical & Biological Engineering, Northwestern University
10. Josh Macey, Assistant Professor of Law, The University of Chicago Law School
11. Jacob Mays, Assistant Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering, Cornell University
13. Pat O’Connell, Commissioner, New Mexico Public Service Commission
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15. David Rankin, Executive Director, Great Lakes Protection Fund
17. Jim Rossi, Judge D.L. Lansden Chair in Law, Vanderbilt University Law School
18. **Shashank Sane**, EVP Transmission, Invenergy  
19. **Ken Schisler**, Regulatory and Government Affairs, CPower  
20. **Ted Thomas**, Founder, Energize Strategies, Former Chairman of the Arkansas Public Service Commission  
21. **Ermin Wei**, Associate Professor, Computer and Electrical Engineering, McCormick School of Engineering, Northwestern University  
23. **Carrie Zalewski**, Vice President, Transmission and Markets, American Clean Power Association

**Registered Attendees** *(as of June 3, 2024):*

24. **Leo Aquino**, Graduate Student, Northwestern University MSES  
25. **Maria Fernanda Caminha Bello**, Undergraduate Student, Northwestern University  
26. **Vanessa Buenconsejo**, Secretary to Officer, Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago  
27. **Parth Chatwani**, Northwestern University  
28. **Stella Fors**, PhD Candidate, Northwestern University  
29. **Adam Haidermota**, Graduate Student, Northwestern University  
30. **Katherine Hsu**, J.D. Student, Northwestern Pritzker School Law  
31. **Charles Hua**, President, HUA LLC  
32. **Varun Gupta**, Visiting Associate Professor, Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University  
34. **Wenden Liu**, Northwestern Pritzker School Law  
35. **Niall Mangan**, Assistant Professor, Northwestern University  
36. **Katherine McMahon**, Policy Analyst, Alliance for Sustainable Energy, LLC  
37. **Sarah Moskowitz**, Executive Director, CUB Illinois  
38. **Charles Murphy**, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Illinois Attorney General  
39. **Taylor Nchako**, Climate and Clean Energy Fellow, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law  
40. **Emma-Rose Newmeyer**, PhD candidate, Northwestern University  
41. **Morgan O'Brien**, Executive Chairman, Anterix  
42. **Jeffrey Odom**, Business Unit Manager, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, RW Beckett Corporation  
43. **John O'Donnell-Sloan**, Graduate Student, Northwestern University  
44. **Evan Oriel**, PhD Candidate, Department of Chemistry, Northwestern University  
45. **Souhardya Pal**, Graduate Student, Northwestern University  
46. **Bahadar Panhwar**, Northwestern Pritzker School Law  
47. **Kyle Pfeiffer**, Director, Research and Development / Program Lead, Argonne in Chicago, Argonne National Laboratory  
48. **Shane Querubin**, Northwestern University  
49. **Elodie Sandraz**, PhD Candidate, Northwestern University  
50. **Doug Scott**, Chairman, Illinois Commerce Commission  
51. **Jenny Shen**, Manager, Analysis Group  
52. **Jenna Spray**, Communications Specialist, Paula M. Trienens Institute for Sustainability and Energy  
53. **Molly Sun**, Northwestern University  
54. **Jennifer Tseng**, Northwestern University  
55. **Maggie Waldron**, Senior Associate Director, Corporate Engagement, Northwestern University
56. **Julia Ward**, Advisor, Illinois Commerce Commission
57. **Robert Weinstock**, Director, Environmental Advocacy Center, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law
58. **Sara Yen**, Student, Environmental Science and Environmental Policy, Northwestern University