

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM Original Amendment

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual *Financial Disclosure Statements* of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House by email at gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

- Name of Traveler: David Andrew Schutt
- a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ **OR** None
b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
- a. Dates: Departure: 7/10/24 Return: Trip ended on 7/14/24
b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ **OR** None
- Departure City: Washington, D.C. Destination: Seattle, WA Return City: Washington, D.C.
- Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Sustainable Energy & Environment Coalition Institute (SEEC Institute)
- Describe Meetings and Events Attended: We attended the Bloomberg Green Festival, which touched on all aspects of climate change, ranging from policy discussions to firsthand looks at the impacts of climate change.
We also did a site visit to Helion Energy, a fusion energy company.
- Attached to this form are **each** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*:
 - a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
 - the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
 - page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the employee; **and**
 - the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
- a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. *Signify statement is true by checking the box.*
b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Traveler: David A Schutt Date: 7/24/24

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: Rep. Paul Tonko Date: 7/24/24

Signature of Supervising Member: Paul Tonko

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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

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This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated in the trip within 10 days of their return.** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House Rules and the Committee's Travel Regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: None

2. Travel Destination(s): Seattle, WA

3. Date of Departure: 7/10/24 Date of Return: Trip ended 7/14/24

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): David Schutt

Note: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if **all** information is **identical** for each person listed.

5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$426.56	\$1179.52	\$212.87	0
Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. Signify statement is true by checking box.

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Max Frankel Digitally signed by Max Frankel
Date: 2024.07.19 15:57:35 -04'00' Date: 7/19/2024

Name: Max Frankel Title: Executive Director

Organization: SEEC Institute

I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.

Address: 611 Pennsylvania Ave SE, Number 150

Telephone: 9177439318 Email: max@seecinstitute.org

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: David Schutt
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: Sustainable Energy & Environment Coalition Institute (SEEC Institute)
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Seattle, WA
4. a. Date of Departure: 7/10/2024 Date of Return: 7/14/2024 (I'm not accepting return transportation from the sponsor)
b. Yes No Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?
If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes No Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**
 - (1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____
 - (2) Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
 - (3) Yes No Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?
6. a. Yes No Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?
b. **If yes**, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:

7. Yes No *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.

NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.

8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. **Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.**

~~David Schutt is the Executive Director of the House Sustainable Energy & Environment Coalition (SEEC), which is a caucus of 98 House members pushing for climate policies. The subject matter of the trip is about all aspects of climate change, ranging from policy discussions to firsthand looks at the impacts of climate change. The role of SEEC is to advocate for good climate policies and also educate SEEC members on all aspects of climate change, making this highly relevant to the day to day activities of SEEC's Executive Director.~~

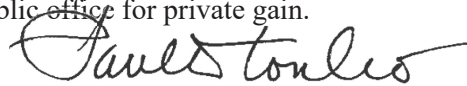
9. **Yes No Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**

10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member: _____



Date: 6/25/24

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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a *Traveler Form* **at least 30 days before the start date of the trip**. The trip sponsor should *NOT* submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee's website (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form. The Committee will notify the House invitees directly of its decision and will not notify the trip sponsors.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:

Sustainable Energy and Environment Coalition (SEEC) Institute

2. I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

3. **Check only one.** I represent that:

a. The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip; **OR**

b. The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds; **OR**

c. The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds, services, or in-kind assistance from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.

If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____

4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary): _____

David Schutt, Executive Director, House Sustainable Energy and Environment Coalition (SEEC) Invited due to overlap with climate, energy, sustainability mission of SEEC.

5. Yes No Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?

6. Date of Departure: Wednesday, July 10, 2024 Date of Return: Sunday, July 14, 2024

7. a. City of departure: Washington DC

b. Destination(s): Seattle, WA

c. City of return: Washington, DC

8. **Check only one.** I represent that

a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965; **OR**

b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent; **OR**

c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.

9. **Check only one of the following.**
- a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
 - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
 - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; **OR**
 - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted. _____
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10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*

11. **Check only one of the following.**
- a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify the statement is true by clicking the box; OR*
 - b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.
12. For **each** sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor’s interest in the subject matter of the trip **and** its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:
- SEEC Institute works to further policies and actions to promote greenhouse gas emissions
reductions, and facilitate a more sustainable and productive environment. SEEC Institute is
sponsoring this trip to attend a highly relevant conference in Seattle on those dates.
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13. **Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:**
- a. Mode of travel: Air Rail Bus Car Other (specify: Taxi/ Uber as necessary)
 - b. Class of travel: Coach Business First Charter Other (specify: _____)
 - c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

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14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

15. **Check only one.** I represent that either:
- a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**
 - b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation. If “b” is checked:
 - 1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided): _____
 - 2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____
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16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name: citizen M Hotel City: Seattle Cost Per Night: \$250
 Reason(s) for Selecting: Proximity to conference site with the lowest rate

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____
 Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____
 Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*

18. **Total Expenses for each Participant:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$750.00 (flight to Seattle, only: \$500 ground: \$250)	\$1,000.00	\$296.25
For each Accompanying Family Member			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of “Other” Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$150.00	Ticket to Bloomberg Green Festival at discounted Non-Profit Rate
For each Accompanying Family Member		

19. **Check only one:**

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
- b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. **I certify by my signature that**

- a. **I read and understand the Committee’s Travel Regulations;**
- b. **I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and**
- c. **The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature: Max Frankel Digitally signed by Max Frankel
Date: 2024.06.07 17:58:08 -04'00' Date: 6/5/24

Name: Max Frankel Title: Executive Director

Organization: Sustainable Energy & Environment Coalition (SEEC) Institute

Address: 611 Pennsylvania Ave SE | Suite 150 | Washington, DC 20003

Email: max@seecinstitute.org Telephone: 917-743-9318

If there are questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

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July 8, 2024

Mr. David Schutt
Sustainable Energy & Environment Coalition
2369 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Schutt:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Seattle, Washington, scheduled for July 10 to 14, 2024, sponsored by Sustainable Energy and Environment Coalition Institute. We note that you are not accepting return transportation from the trip sponsor.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$480 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

Michael Guest
Chairman

Susan Wild
Ranking Member

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**SEEC Institute Trip to Bloomberg Green Festival
Seattle, Washington
Tuesday, July 10- Saturday, July 13, 2024**

Invitation List:

1. **David Schutt** – Executive Director of the House Sustainable Energy & Environment Coalition (SEEC)



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MISSION GOALS: The goal of this trip is to attend the Bloomberg Green Festival, learn from the programming and sessions, and network among the participants to develop relationships that can be used in future legislative deliberations by the House Sustainable Energy and Environment Coalition (SEEC).

RELEVANCE TO OFFICIAL DUTIES: The subject matter of the trip is about all aspects of climate change, ranging from policy discussions to firsthand looks at the impacts of climate change. The role of SEEC is to advocate for good climate policies and also educate the Members of Congress who are members of SEEC on all aspects of climate change, making this highly relevant to the day-to-day activities of its Executive Director of SEEC.

Wednesday, July 10, 2024

11:20 AM EDT Alaska Air Flight # 583 departs Dulles International Airport (IAD)

2:00 PM PDT Arrival at SeaTac Airport (SEA-TAC) to citizenM hotel by taxi

Drive time 25- 30 minutes

**2:30 PM PDT Arrive citizenM Seattle South Lake Union Hotel
201 Westlake Avenue N, Seattle, WA 98109**

All Conference Sessions are being hosted at McCaw Hall, Seattle, WA unless otherwise noted

Walk time 20 minutes

3:00 PM Arrive McCaw Hall

Wednesday, July 10, 2024

3:00 - 4:00 PM Bloomberg Green: What We're Watching

Rainier Breakout Room

In this interactive breakout session, Bloomberg Green reporters and editors discuss the critical climate issues they're following and take your questions live.

Moderator: Sharon Chen, Editor, Bloomberg Green Panelists: Zahra Hirji, Reporter, Bloomberg Green, John Fraher, Senior Executive Editor, Bloomberg, Akshat Rathi, Senior Reporter, Bloomberg Green

4:30 - 5:30 PM Town Hall: Solving Your Climate Vice

Cascade Breakout Room

Do you have a guilt-inducing, not-so-eco-friendly habit that feels difficult to break? In this town hall, our panel of experts will take your questions and contextualize scalable solutions for the carbon-emitting behaviors that keep you up at night.

Moderator: Zahra Hirji, Reporter, Bloomberg Green, Jeremy Sampson, CEO, The Travel Foundation, Dounia Wone, Chief Impact Officer, Vestiaire Collective

6:00 - 8:00 PM Opening Night Program

Green Stage

Join us as we kick off the inaugural Bloomberg Green Festival with inspirational messages that embody culture, unity and the spirit of solutions as we gather in Seattle to embark on a new era of climate action.

6:25 PM- 6:35pm My Climate Story: Emelie Mahdavian

Award-winning filmmaker Emelie Mahdavian takes us inside the making of *Planet A*, her latest feature film about a women-led science team on the final scientific expedition to Antarctica's "Doomsday Glacier" before it collapses into the sea.

Presenter: Emelie Mahdavian, Director, Producer, Cinematographer, *Planet A*

6:35 PM – 6:55PM An Optimist's Guide to the Planet

The Bloomberg Original Series *An Optimist's Guide to the Planet* shows how people across the globe are helping drive humanity toward a brighter, more sustainable future. We'll go behind the scenes with the show's host, Nikolaj Coster-Waldau.

Moderator: Kira Bindrim, Greener Living Editor, Bloomberg Green, Presenter: Nikolaj Coster-Waldau, Actor, Producer, UNDP Goodwill Ambassador

6:55 PM- 7:05PM

My Climate Story: Xiye Bastida

Mexican climate justice activist Xiye Bastida, Co-Founder, Re-Earthg Initiative shares how she is championing Indigenous worldviews as a solution for the climate crisis through her Otomi roots.

7:05 PM- 7:30PM

Ones to Watch

Bloomberg Green's Ones to Watch list identifies the people who are poised to be the leaders of tomorrow in the climate and energy space. From renewable energy and carbon capture to climate science and cutting-edge emissions accounting, we celebrate the diverse, up-and-coming figures who are doing big things to move the world toward net zero.

7:30 PM-8PM

The Power of Storytelling

As the climate crisis goes mainstream, portrayals of the issue in entertainment and film can play a powerful role in raising awareness and sparking action. We'll hear how documentarians are bringing these stories to life with authenticity and humanity at the forefront.

Presenter: Adrian Grenier, Actor, Filmmaker, Environmentalist

8:00 PM

Dinner

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citizenM Seattle South Lake Union Hotel

201 Westlake Avenue N, Seattle, WA 9810

Thursday, July 11, 2024

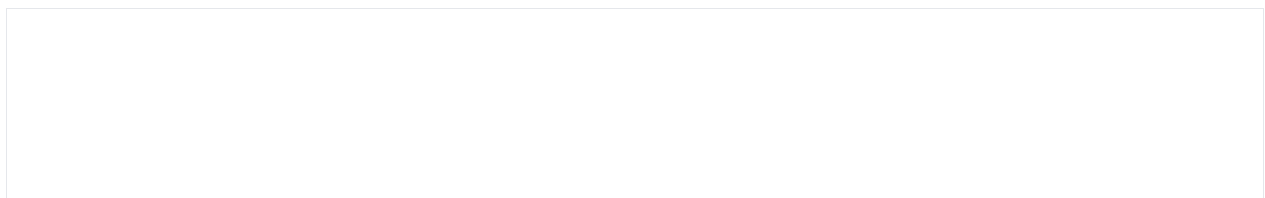
All Conference Sessions are being hosted at McCaw Hall, Seattle, WA unless otherwise noted

Thursday's sessions are relevant and useful for SEEC/ House of Representatives staff as they present an opportunity for staff to hear from current and former government officials who are not located in Washington DC about their experiences and lessons learned on enacting climate policy in a variety of areas. In addition, staff will get the chance to meet other attendees working on the same issues.

7:30 AM

Meet in Hotel lobby to depart for McGraw Hill

Walk time 20 minutes



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8:00 - 9:15 AM Mitigating Climate Risk in Your Operations

Cascade Breakout Room

As companies and communities work to decrease their emissions and lessen their environmental impact, adapting their physical infrastructure will be one of the largest challenges they face. This breakout will focus on the need to transition existing facilities and operations, taking into account issues like current and future costs and industry-specific requirements. We'll also look at the role data and automation can play in projecting cost savings and giving clarity on where to focus efforts that will make the most impact.

9:15 AM- 9:35AM Climate Cooperative Workshop: The CSO Evolution

Rainier Breakout Room

The role of the chief sustainability officer is evolving. As sustainability becomes an increasingly important business value, CSOs must become skilled at a variety of disciplines – technology, communications, compliance, finance and more. We'll gather CSOs for a workshop focused on collaboration and career development.

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

9:35 AM – 10AM Electrify Your Life

How much climate power do we hold in just a few big decisions? We'll hear how electrification nonprofit Rewiring America is working to help people swap out fossil fuels for electric appliances and vehicles, from the entertainment industry to low-income neighborhoods and beyond.

Presenters: Stacey Abrams, Voting Rights Activist & Author and Ari Matusiak, Founder & CEO, Rewiring America

10:00 AM – 10:20AM Changemaker Conversation: The Business Value of Climate

From President Obama's cabinet to board rooms in the private and NGO sectors, Sally Jewell, Former Secretary, US Department of Interior; Global Board Treasurer, The Nature Conservancy will focus on climate work centers on delivering a future that is both economically successful and sustainable. She discusses pragmatic strategies for aligning these interests amid the complexities of today's business landscape.

10:20 AM – 10:40AM Forward, Together: Unique Pathways to Climate Action

Different solutions, same goal: Save the planet. We'll hear how leaders from two very different parts of the climate action ecosystem are using their platforms to affect change.

Presenter: Kara Hurst, Chief Sustainability Officer, Amazon

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10:40 AM – 10:50AM My Climate Story: Willow Defebaugh

Co-Founder & Atmos Editor-in-Chief Willow Defebaugh reflects on healing our relationship with the planet through the lens of her own transition alongside immersive photography of ecosystems around the world.

10:50 -11:15 AM Changemaker Conversation-Investing in Climate Tech

Smarter, nimbler cleantech solutions are being created faster than ever before. TPG’s Executive Chairman discusses how we can revolutionize the climate fight through cleantech innovation and investment.

Presenter: Jim Coulter, Executive Chairman, TPG, Managing Partner, TPG Rise Climate and Jason Kelly, Chief Correspondent, Bloomberg Originals

11:35 AM – 12:05PM Building the Green Workforce

Mayors around the world are taking action to create green local jobs and build strong, inclusive economic growth. This session will bring together city leaders who are investing in the green workforce for a conversation on creating jobs and building resilient urban centers.

Moderator: Antha Williams, Environment Program Lead, Bloomberg Philanthropies, Presenter, Mayor Bruce Harrell, Mayor, City of Seattle

12:05 PM – 12:30PM The Moonshot Factory Managers

Some of the most radical technology the world needs to combat climate change doesn’t exist yet. Enter the so-called “moonshot factories” – labs that are developing far-out solutions that sound stranger than science-fiction. We’ll hear from private and public sector climate tech leaders who are shooting for the moon and sharing the lessons they’re learning along the way.

Presenters: John Pimentel, CEO, 280 Earth and Evelyn Wang, Director, Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy (ARPA-E)

12:30 PM- 12:40PM What Satellites Are Telling Us

Methane emitters beware: You can’t hide from this eye in the sky. The Environmental Defense Fund’s MethaneSAT project is in orbit, spotting methane leaks from the oil and gas industry and ushering in a new era of climate transparency. Environmental Defense Fund Senior Vice President & Chief Scientist Steven Hamburg discusses the breakthrough technology behind MethaneSAT and gives a sneak peak into the data it’s collecting.

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12:40 PM PDT Fueling Airlines' Decarbonization Journey

Sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) presents a range of challenges; in particular, it's pricey, and there's nowhere near enough of it. Production at scale presents resource challenges, and the demand for SAF far outweighs the current supply. But given that SAF provides the most effective and immediate way for the airline industry to cut its emissions, the SAF market needs to grow quickly in order for airlines to decarbonize.

We'll discuss the current state of the SAF market and what can be done to increase production of SAF and cut production costs. Given that business travel accounts for a large portion of many companies' GHG emissions, we'll also discuss how businesses can partner with airlines and producers to encourage the development and use of SAF.

Moderator: Lauren Kiel, Global Head of Community Innovation, Bloomberg Media, Presenters: Melanie Nakagawa, Chief Sustainability Officer, Microsoft, John Plaza, President & CEO, SkyNRG Americas, Ryan Spies, Managing Director, Sustainability, Alaska Airlines

1:00 PM: Pickup lunch on nearby the conference

1:10 PM- 1:35 PM The Gendered Climate Battle

While the impacts of climate change expose the harsh realities of inequality, these hardships are magnified for women and girls already struggling with equal access to rights, health and opportunities. We'll explore the nuances of gender in the fight against climate change and how systemic social change can provide dual solutions.

Presenters: Naza Alakija, Founder & CEO, Evoca Foundation, Renata Koch Alvarenga, Founder & Executive Director, EmpoderaClima, Wawa Gatheru, Founder & Executive Director, Black Girl Environmentalist

1:35 PM – 2:05PM Climate Action in the Era of AI

What happens when the global climate crisis converges with the most powerful technological advancements of our time? We'll explore game-changing AI use cases and discuss the tension between AI's energy consumption and its potential contributions in the climate change fight with Rebecca Hu, Founder Glacier

2:05 PM – 2:15PM My Climate Story: Oliver Jeffers

Green Stage

Visual Artist, Author and Climate Activist Oliver Jeffers shares how he is leveraging the power of art to inspire kindness, community and a love for the planet

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2:15 PM- 2:35PM

Feeling the Heat: Sports & Climate Change

Racing to Zero, Advisor, Erin Latimer talks about the dangerously oppressive heat and air pollution compromising athletes' health to existential threat facing winter sports, the effects of climate change on sport are undeniable. Renowned athletes share their experiences with climate change and how to future-proof their respective sports.

2:35 PM -3PM

Changemaker Conversation: Climate Policy

The country's longest-serving governor Jay Inslee, Governor, Washington State shares his climate priorities for his remaining time in office and discusses the importance of climate action at the state level.

Moderator: Anna Edgerton, Seattle Bureau Chief, Bloomberg,

3:00 PM – 3:20PM

The Leadership Gap

An all-encompassing challenge like climate change requires bold leadership from every corner of society – especially in the face of criticism, competing priorities and differing values. From policy to business to grassroots activism, we'll hear from leaders who are stepping up and redefining what it means to advocate for the planet and its citizens.

Presenters: Gina McCarthy, First White House National Climate Advisor; Former US EPA Administrator; Managing Co-Chair, America Is All In Coalition, Melanie Nakagawa, Chief Sustainability Officer, Microsoft

3:20 PM- 3:40PM

My Climate Story: Adam Met

Planet Reimagined Founder, Executive Director and AJR bassist Adam Met shares how he is redefining climate activism by blending his experiences as a musician, educator, advocate and scholar to reshape US clean energy policies.

3:40 PM – 4PM

Changemaker Conversation: Leading With Purpose

REI Co-op's President and CEO Eric Artz discusses the outdoor retailer's sustainability goals and how business leaders can integrate purpose into the hearts of their companies with John Fraher, Senior Executive Editor, Bloomberg

4:00 PM – 4:20PM

The Future of Food

Shenarri Freeman, Executive Chef, Cadence & Ubuntu and leading chefs discuss how they are prioritizing sustainability at their restaurants through innovative plant-based menus, responsible sourcing, innovative food technologies, food waste reduction and more.

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4:20 PM -4:40PM

Empowering Indigenous Solutions

How can we leverage Indigenous knowledge to mitigate the impacts of climate change and foster greater collaboration? We'll hear from activists who are advocating for climate solutions that support the wellness, livelihoods and cultural traditions of Indigenous communities across the globe.

Presenters: Joshua Amponsem, Strategy Director, Youth Climate Justice Fund and Fawn Sharp, Vice President, Quinault Indian Nation

4:40 PM – 5:15PM Zero With Akshat Rathi

Zero is a podcast about the tactics and technologies taking us to a world of zero emissions.

Listen in as Bloomberg's award-winning senior climate reporter Akshat Rathi, Bloomberg Green talks to the people who are making it happen.

5:15 PM- 5:35PM Conversations With Animals

How would humans approach the planet's biggest challenges if they could see through the lens of animals? Scientists are getting closer to the minds of animals than ever before by eavesdropping on interspecies communication and leveraging emerging technology to detect patterns in the data. From protecting biodiversity to improving sustainability, we'll explore how their findings could disrupt industries and reshape our thinking.

5:35 PM- 5:45PM We Need to Talk About Tires

What happens when rubber meets the road – literally? Gunnlaugur Erlendsson, founder and CEO of 2023 Earthshot Prize finalist ENSO, discusses the impact of tire pollution and solutions for improving this often overlooked piece of the clean car puzzle.

5:45 PM – 6:10PM Bloomberg Green: What We're Watching

Bloomberg Green reporters and editors discuss the critical climate issues they're following and take your questions live.

Moderator: Sharon Chen, Editor, Bloomberg Green, Presenters: Zahra Hirji, Reporter, Bloomberg Green, John Fraher, Senior Executive Editor, Bloomberg, Akshat Rathi, Senior Reporter, Bloomberg Green

6:10 PM – 7PM Green on Screen: The Live Writers' Room

From the star-studded Apple TV+ series *Extrapolations* to Netflix's Oscar-nominated film *Don't Look Up*, climate change is emerging as a central theme in some of Hollywood's biggest projects – and countless productions in between. In this interactive session, attendees will brainstorm with two of the entertainment industry's foremost climate storytellers to craft a scene that will be performed live.

7:00 - 9:00 PM TEDCountdown@BloombergGreenFestival

Green Stage

We are excited to partner with TED Countdown, TED's global climate initiative, to bring a session of TED Talks to the Bloomberg Green Festival.

We are mid-way into the decisive decade for climate change – the decisions and actions taken today will determine the way we live tomorrow. It's a moment for taking stock, for renewed understanding and for finding agency. This special evening is hosted by TED's global climate initiative, TED Countdown. Through TED's signature mix of talks, conversations, performances and short videos, we will dive into the current state of climate, big-picture thinking about the economy, solutions for heavy industry, the interplay of climate and democracy and more.

- Courtney Marie Andrews, Grammy-nominated musical artist
- Tadeu Carneiro, CEO at Boston Metal
- Deb Chachra, Professor of Engineering at Olin College of Engineering
- Hrund Gunnsteinsdóttir, Author, Speaker, Filmmaker and Sustainability Leader
- Gaya Herrington, Vice President of Sustainability Research at Schneider Electric
- Akshat Rathi, Senior Reporter for Climate at Bloomberg News
- Johan Rockström, Director of the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research and Professor in Earth System Science at the University of Potsdam
- Nathaniel Stinnett, Founder and Executive Director at Environmental Voter Project

9:00 PM Depart for hotel, pick up informal dinner on the way to the hotel

Walk time 20 minutes

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Friday's sessions are relevant and useful for SEEC/ House of Representatives staff as they present an opportunity for staff to learn about varied communication techniques for galvanizing support for climate action, as well as numerous and varied climate impacts and challenges faced by different communities. In addition, staff will hear from and interact with climate communications and media professionals.

Friday's trip to Helion, a fusion energy company, is an experience unique to the Seattle area and is highly relevant for SEEC staff as fusion energy production holds significant promise as a major source of zero carbon energy in the medium-term future, assuming certain technical hurdles, which we will be learning about on the visit, are cleared.

8:30 AM **Meet in Hotel lobby to depart to Helion**

8:50 AM Depart via uber to Helion facility, Everett, WA

10:00AM- 11:00 AM- Tour of Helion fusion facility guided by Helion staff, including discussion of fusion technology, Helion’s business, and policy barriers to realization of commercial fusion energy.

11:00AM -12:00PM: Travel via uber from Helion to conference facility

12:00PM - 1:00 PM Free Outdoor Experiences

Climate Creatives Stage

Experience the culture of climate action as performers, artists and authors bring their imaginative interpretations of our planet’s beauty and challenges to life. Exhibitions will include performances, physical objects, and discussions with indigenous artists engaging on climate issues.

- Attendee will be surveying the exhibitions and exhibits and meeting the exhibitors. The purpose of this session is to help him better understand the diversity of climate change communication approaches that resonate with different people and in different cultures and to network with the other attendees.

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM Working Lunch to discuss the Helion visit and the day’s conference agenda. Discussion will focus on the role of fusion technologies in the clean energy economy in light of the morning’s visit.

2:30 PM – 2:35PM Welcome Remarks

2:35 PM – 3:35PM Bloomberg Green Docs Presents: *Chasing Time*

Sarah Keo, Co-Director, *Chasing Time*

- This film is related to the shrinking ice caps and retreating glaciers

3:35 PM- 5PM Bloomberg Green Docs Presents: *A New Kind of Wilderness*

- This film is about the challenges in living in a sustainable way in modern society

5:00 PM -6:00 PM Bloomberg Green Docs Presents: *A Symphony of Tiny Lights*

Dominic Gill, Director/Producer/Cinematographer, *A Symphony of Tiny Lights*

Nadia Gill, Director/Producer, *A Symphony of Tiny Lights*

- This film is related to an oil tanker crash in California in the 1970s and the environmental fallout of that event

6:00 PM Dinner

SEEC will cover David Shutt's overnight accommodation on Saturday, July 13th. With programming ending late on Saturday, following a full day of programming, we would have provided overnight accommodation if David was returning directly to DC. Therefore, for any staff traveling with us, we would have made arrangements for them to depart Seattle on Sunday, July 14th.

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11:00 AM **Check out of hotel**