



EBC Climate Change Member Workshop: COP26 Report Out

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

Workshop Chairs

Julie Conroy, AICP, Lead Planner / Environmental Analyst, Ramboll
Joseph Famely, Climate & Sustainability Team Lead, Woods Hole Group

AGENDA

- 9:30 a.m. **Welcome:** Ann Gisinger, President & Executive Director, EBC
- Introduction**
- Julie Conroy, AICP, Lead Planner / Environmental Analyst, Ramboll
- 9:45 a.m. **Overview & History**
- Sarah Katz, Senior Sustainability Manager, Ramboll
- 10:00 a.m. **Student Perspective**
- Cameron Ramey, MEM Candidate, Yale School of the Environment
- 10:20 a.m. **What Happened, Top Deals – Did COP26 Deliver?**
- Sarah Katz, Senior Sustainability Manager, Ramboll
 - Konstantinos Tsolakidis, Student Assistant, Sustainability & CR, Ramboll
- 10:50 a.m. **Q&A**
- 11:00 a.m. **Adjourn**

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Ms. Conroy has over 20 years of experience as an environmental analyst and planner. She currently serves as technical lead and project manager for water resource, coastal, and climate change projects. As

a Massachusetts Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Service Provider, she works with municipalities to develop and implement climate adaptation and mitigation plans. Ms. Conroy has expertise in coastal ecology, integrated water management, and nature-based resiliency solutions. Ms. Conroy has been recognized for a contemporaneous approach to formulating nature-based resilience solutions and innovative structural infrastructure designs. She is a trained facilitator and is skilled in the translation of scientific and technical findings to a wide range of audiences. Her specialty areas include the preparation of coastal ecological assessments, working with dynamic climate models to evaluate vulnerabilities, and preparing realistic action plans for climate resilience. She is also skilled in both the preparation of regulations relative to environmental protection and permitting for complex infrastructure and land use projects.

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Joe Famely leads the Climate & Sustainability Team at Woods Hole Group. Focused on environmental and sustainability planning, he has expertise in assessing climate change vulnerability and risk for infrastructure and natural resources, and developing adaptation and resiliency plans for communities and organizations. In addition to numerous sea level rise and storm surge vulnerability assessments in the New England region, he has developed customized greenhouse gas assessment tools to help organizations benchmark and track their carbon footprints and prepare sustainability reports, and led strategic land use planning projects.

Joe's background in ecological risk assessment, urban ecology, and environmental design brings a systems-thinking approach to projects and facilitates collaboration with engineering and design professionals, as well as with clients and stakeholders.

Joe holds a B.A. from Bowdoin College, and a M.E.M. in Urban Ecology and Environmental Design from the Yale School of the Environment. He is also a certified provider in the MA EOEEA Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) Program.

SPEAKERS

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Ms Katz has been working with sustainable development for nearly 20 years, bridging between deep environmental, social and economic insights tied to the global green transition and how to communicate and operationalize them for companies, countries and regions. Based in South East Asia for ten years from 2001 – 2011, she consulted for international organisations such as the UN, and Asian Development Bank. Since 2014, she has been contributing to positioning Ramboll within the global sustainability agenda and works across all Rambolls focus markets (Buildings, Transport, Environment & Health, Water, Energy, Architecture & Landscape, and Management Consulting) to put sustainability first in everything we do as a company, and through our solutions. She has participated in several COPs and was at COP26 as member of the Danish business delegation.

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Cameron (Cami) Ramey is a climate resilience professional and a Master of Environmental Management candidate at the Yale School of the Environment. Her expertise lies at the nexus of environmental justice, urban planning, and climate resilience. In addition to supporting a number of environmental non-profits, Cameron has also conducted research on local government climate risk disclosures and on opportunities to support local resilience at the federal level. She recently co-developed an environmental justice screening tool for carbon offset projects. Cameron currently manages the Yale Environment Review's student writing and editing team, and is a producer for the Pricing Nature podcast, where she makes climate policy accessible to broad audiences.

Cameron attended COP26 as a member of the Yale delegation. At COP she provided policy research and administrative support to the Alliance for Small Island States and curated content for the Pricing Nature podcast.

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Konstantinos (Kostas) has recently joined Sustainability & CR as a student assistant. He is currently completing his MSc in Sustainable Energy at Technical University of Denmark and holds one more integrated master's in Environmental Engineering from Technical University of Crete in Greece. During his studies he participated in the Erasmus exchange program at the University of Stavanger (Norway), the projects of which he presented in CRETE 2018 International Conference. During his studies he joined twice as student assistant the Greek Independent Power Transmission Operator (IPTO) and the Athens Water Supply and Sewerage Company (EYDAP S.A.). Kostas concentrates on supporting various sustainability-related market research initiatives.