



OROMOCTO CLIMATE ACTION CONFERENCE 2023

Reducing Carbon Emmissions

Conference Agenda
Hazen Centre, Oromocto NB

Day 1, Sept 21st

Day 2, Sept 22nd

Time	Sessions	Time	Sessions
8:15-8:45	Registration/ Coffee/Networking	8:30-8:45	Coffee/Networking
8:45-9:00	Welcome Ceremony and Land Acknowledgement Honourable Minister Mary Wilson, Minister of Service New Brunswick and Military Affairs, and Councillor Dymond Stevens - Oromocto First Nation	8:45-9:00	Welcome Land Acknowledgement Jenica Atwin, MP and Mayor Robert (Bob) Powell
9:00-10:00	Keynote Address: Getting to Net-Zero Emissions: why it's important and how we can do it - Carl Duivenvoorden- www.changeyourcorner.com - In April 2007, Carl became one of the first Canadians to be personally trained by former US Vice President Al Gore to present live versions of his Academy Award-winning slideshow. Since then, Carl has worked as a speaker, writer and sustainability consultant, helping people and organizations save money, energy and our environment. He's presented to over 400 audiences, and his column Green Ideas ran for 10 years in New Brunswick dailies.		Keynote Address: Empowering Youth to Take Action on Climate Change Through Education - Geoff McDonald, Executive Director of the Gaia Project (www.thegaiaproject.ca/en) The Gaia Project uses a unique approach to empower youth to take action incorporating inquiry-based education, curriculum links, and local action in each of their projects.
10:00-10:15	Refreshment Break	9:45- 10:15	Potential for SMR's Tristan Jackson VP of Corporate Development at Moltex and Fawn Zuechner from ARC Clean Technology discuss the emerging potential of small modular nuclear reactors to reduce reliance on carbon for energy.
10:15-10:45	New Brunswick's Pathway to a Net Zero Electricity System Brad Coady, NB Power Vice President, Business Development & Strategic Partnerships, speaks about the utilities efforts to reduce emissions and meet future targets.	10:15- 10:30	Refreshment Break
10:45 -12:00	Municipal Emissions Reduction Panel Chris Lawrence - Town of Quispamsis, Mike Thususka - City of Summerside, and Josie Rudderham - Energize Bridgewater, and Sammir Yammine - City of Saint John will discuss their community and corporate carbon emissions reduction initiatives in a panel moderated by Eddie Oldfield of QUEST Canada.	10:30 - 11:00	Smart Grid Innovation Network Terrence Cormier will discuss national trends and emission reduction policy and how groups like SGIN can help communities implement their Energy and Emissions Action Plans.
12:00-1:00	Lunch (provided)		

1:00 – 1:30	Saint John Energy Zero30 initiative Glen Fillmore presents Saint John Energy's Zero30 initiative https://zero30.ca/		
1:30 - 3:00	Guided Tour of CFB Solar Farm Group will travel by E- bus to Solar Farm on CFB Gagetown. In transit, Francios Godin from the NB Dept of Education will talk about fleet conversion to electric and Climate Change challenges.	11:00-12:00	Closing Keynote: Meeting the Challenge of Climate Change Adaptation - Dr. Cheryl Bradbee, UNB Faculty of Engineering Dr. Bradbee has taught Urban Planning in Ontario and now works as Instructional Designer with the UNB Faculty Engineering. Dr. Bradbee puts climate adaptation at the forefront of the courses she develops and is keenly interested in how post secondary education must transform to meet the new challenges. Dr. Bradbee will highlight the urgency of the situation and the need for planners, engineers, and decision makers to rethink what we do and form the basis for cooperative efforts and innovation to meet the transformation that will be required.
3:15 - 4:30	Public and Private Sector Emissions Reduction Panel: Carl Duivenvoorden will share perspectives as a private homeowner moving to net zero, along with Brad Janes from the Capital Region Service Commission (Solid Waste Division) and Tom Gillmore, Director of Energy and Sustainability of UNB, who will be sharing their efforts to increase their energy efficiency and reduce their carbon footprints in a panel moderated by Ashley Anthony from Climatereality.ca	Climate Action Expo There will be indoor and outdoor exhibition space, free and open to the public where vendors and industry leaders will be on hand showing the latest in EV's and green technology, as well as representatives to discuss available energy efficiency programs.	
Social Events 6:00pm Guided walking tour of Gateway Wetland* 7:00pm Hospitality Event – Grimross Beer Garden, Oromocto Riverfront* *weather permitting			