

Chicago Water Summit 2014:

Global Lessons from Great Water Cities

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8:00 am - 4:00 pm

The Mid-America Club, 80th Floor

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- 8:15 AM **Welcome**
- 8:30 AM **Keynote**
- 9:00 AM **Great Water Cities are Sustainable** – Panel 1
- 10:15 AM **Break**
- 10:30 AM **Great Water Cities Embrace Innovation** – Panel 2
- 11:30 AM **Chicago as a Great Water City**
- 11:45 AM **Luncheon** *Sponsored by Greeley and Hansen and Degremont Technologies*
- 12:15 PM **Great Water Cities are Resilient**
- 1:00 PM **Summit Reconvenes**
- 1:00 PM **Great Water Cities Invest in the Future** – Panel 3
- 2:00 PM **Break**
- 2:15 PM **Great Water Cities Partner with the Private Sector** – Panel 4
- 3:15 PM **General Discussion**
- 3:45 PM **Conclusion and Next Steps**



Welcome – 8:15 AM

Jeff Malehorn, President & CEO, World Business Chicago

Sandra Ralston, President, Water Environment Federation

Keynote – 8:30 AM

Mayor Rahm Emanuel, City of Chicago

Great Water Cities are Sustainable – Panel 1, 9:00 AM

Moderator: **Karen Weigert**, Chief Sustainability Officer, City of Chicago

Speaker 1: **Howard Neukrug**, Commissioner, Philadelphia Water Department

Speaker 2: **Albert Cho**, Vice President,
Strategy and Business Development, Xylem

Speaker 3: **Emilio Tenuta**, Vice President of Corporate Sustainability,
Ecolab (NALCO)

Speaker 4: **Karen Sands**, Manager of Sustainability,
Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District

Great Water Cities have smarter ways to meet water needs and enhance resiliency. This panel of speakers will present perspectives on the importance of developing sustainable cities, and potential challenges such as earthquakes, drought, or inundation. Discussion will also include how technology, corporations, non-profits, and communities can collaborate to achieve sustainability goals.

10:15 AM Break



Great Water Cities Embrace Innovation – Panel 2, 10:30 AM

- Moderator:** **David St. Pierre**, Executive Director,
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago
- Speaker 1:** **Ted Henifin**, General Manager, Hampton Roads Sanitation District
- Speaker 2:** **Christian Guenner**, Director of System Development,
Hamburg Wasser, Hamburg, Germany
- Speaker 3:** **Dr. Peter Gravatt**, Director, Office of Drinking Water,
US Environmental Protection Agency
- Speaker 4:** **Tali Landau-Ofer**, Finance Director, TaKaDu Ltd., Yehud, Israel

Great Water Cities use innovative practices to strengthen sustainability. Speakers on this panel will examine how lessons from innovators can be applied to green infrastructure, conservation, source diversification, decentralized approaches, stormwater harvesting, water reuse, and resource recovery. Discussion will also consider risk management, how timing and scope affect decisions, and where innovation originates.

Chicago as a Great Water City – 11:30 AM

Speaker: **Andy Richardson**, Chairman and CEO, Greeley and Hansen

11:45 AM Luncheon



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Great Water Cities are Resilient – 12:15 PM

Speaker: **Henk Ovink**, Principal, Rebuild by Design,
and Senior Advisor to HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan

1:00 PM Summit Reconvenes

Great Water Cities Invest in the Future – Panel 3, 1:00 PM

Moderator: **Barrett Murphy**, First Deputy Commissioner of Water Management,
City of Chicago

Speaker 1: **Harlan Kelly, Jr.**, General Manager, San Francisco Public Utilities

Speaker 2: **John Austin**, Director, Michigan Economic Center, and Non-Resident
Senior Fellow, Brookings Institution

Speaker 3: **Cedric S. Grant**, Executive Director,
Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans, Louisiana

Speaker 4: **Dieter Sauer**, President, Water Utility Division,
Grundfos North America

Great Water Cities increase jobs and tax revenue from investment in water infrastructure. With the global population increasing, the strain on existing water systems has created demand for new infrastructure and the need to upgrade deteriorating current systems. Great Water Cities have taken steps to prepare for the future through means such as substantial infrastructure investments, innovative technologies, other capital projects, human resources, and training. This session will focus on how Great Water Cities make decisions about investments and partnerships.

2:00 PM Break



Great Water Cities Partner with the Private Sector

Panel 4, 2:15 PM

Moderator: **Jon Freedman**, Vice President, Government & Policy, GE Water

Speaker 1: **Dr. Paul Bowen**, Director, Sustainable Operations, Coca Cola Company

Speaker 2: **Dr. Giulio Boccaletti**, Managing Director, Global Water, Nature Conservancy

Speaker 3: **Terry Mah**, President, Veolia North America

Speaker 4: **Bob Bailey**, Executive Vice President-City and Urban Solutions, Water Utility Group, CH2M Hill

Great Water Cities promote partnerships in the private sector to achieve sustainability, innovation, and strategic objectives. By examining specific case studies of effective collaborations, this panel will focus on how the structure of these partnerships can be applied in other cities. The panel will also explore available tools communities can use to explore alternate methods for future success.

General Discussion – 3:15 PM

Conclusion and Next Steps – 3:45 PM

Robin Barnes, Executive Vice President and COO, Greater New Orleans, Inc.

Dr. Eileen O'Neill, Executive Director, Water Environment Federation

Lynn Broadus, Director, Environment Programs, The Johnson Foundation at Wingspread

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