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CNU CLIMATE SUMMIT

September 29 – 30, 2017

Washington, DC

For over two decades CNU and its members have worked to build sustainable places and preserve the natural environment. From developing the energy-efficient LEED for Neighborhood Development system to advancing the conversation around sustainable architecture, our projects have helped pave the way for cities and towns to build greener, healthier, and more responsibly.

Now more than ever, it is critical that we continue to expand our knowledge-base, share our expertise, and put better techniques into practice. At the 2017 CNU Climate Summit we invite organizations and individuals who have been addressing these issues to share their expertise and guide CNU as we strive to understand our role, the role of design and the built environment, and discuss how we can best contribute to the climate change conversation.

Join us on September 29-30, 2017 as CNU defines the role of New Urbanism in the climate change conversation.

Purpose:

- Where can CNU exert its influence and leverage the expertise of the membership?
- How can CNU empower and enable its membership to move knowledge, expertise and practice forward?

Outcomes:

Through the 2017 Climate Summit, CNU seeks to empower and enable its membership to move the needle on knowledge, expertise, and practice around specific climate issues. We plan to identify member-led working groups to develop strategies, tools, and techniques that contribute to the climate change conversation in a meaningful way.

Learning from the Experts:

We are asking representatives from international climate initiatives, local government, leading environmental organizations, and activist groups to share their work and insight:

- How is your organization/initiative contributing to the climate change conversation, specifically as it relates to the built environment?
- How do you think a design-oriented placemaking organization like CNU might be most effective?

Breakout Sessions:

Attendees will have the opportunity to participate in four breakout sessions that will dive deeply into a specific climate issue. During the breakout sessions we ask participants to consider the following:

- Where does CNU have expertise? Where could CNU expand its knowledge-base?
- How does the specific climate issue affect the economy of local communities?
- How can we plan and design equitable solutions and tools to address climate impacts?

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FRIDAY, September 29, 2017	
Time	Topic
8:00 AM	Registration & Coffee
9:00 AM	<p>Opening Remarks – Elizabeth Plater-Zyberk, Anne Tate, & Doug Kelbaugh</p> <p><u>Topics and Issues to Discuss:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purpose of the Climate Summit • Desired Outcomes
9:30 AM	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>LEARNING FROM THE EXPERTS</u></p> <p>Panel: Advocacy & Agency Moderator: Doug Kelbaugh</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Center for Neighborhood Technology – Jennifer McGraw, Director, Sustainability Innovation • Architecture 2030 – Edward Mazria, Founder & CEO • Natural Resource Defense Council – Shelley Poticha, Director, Urban Solutions • Citizen's Climate Lobby – Jay Butera, Senior Congressional Liaison, Citizen Climate Lobby • Rocky Mountain Institute – Ben Holland, Senior Associate, Rocky Mountain Institute <p>Question and Answer Session</p>
11:30 AM	Break
11:15 AM	<p>Panel: Role of Cities Moderator: Elizabeth Plater-Zyberk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICLEI USA – Riana Ackley, Program Officer, Renewable Energy Team • Urban Land Institute – Katharine Burgess, Senior Director, Urban Resilience • NYC Department of Planning – Ryan Jacobson, Associate Urban Designer, Resilient Retail • FEMA & NYC Department of Planning – Daphne Lundi, Flood Resilience Planner, Resilient Neighborhoods Initiative <p>Question and Answer Session</p>
1:15 PM	Lunch
2:00 PM	<p>Panel: Domestic & International Approaches Moderator: Anne Tate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • USGBC – Elizabeth Beardsley, Senior, Policy Counsel • Rebuild by Design – Lynn Englum, Policy Manager • Habitat III – Douglas Kelbaugh, Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning • Perkins + Will – Janice Barnes, Principal and Global Resilience Director <p>Question and Answer Session</p>
4:00 PM	<p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What did we learn? Where are there opportunities for CNU? • What do we have to offer to these efforts?
5:00 PM	Wrap-up

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SATURDAY, September 30, 2017	
Time	Topic
9:00 AM	Welcome & Opening Remarks <i>The CNU Canons:</i> Elizabeth Moule, Moule & Polyzoides <i>Grounding the Conversation:</i> Lynn Richards, President & CEO, Congress for the New Urbanism
9:30 AM	Peter Calthorpe New Perspectives on Climate Change, Calthorpe Analytics: UrbanFootprint
10:15 AM	Identify Impact Areas Building upon the previous day’s discussion, participants will identify 4-5 specific impact areas where CNU members and the New Urbanist movement can engage with in a meaningful way.
11:00 AM	Working Group Breakout Discussions Working groups will discuss and identify desired outcomes and goals for their respective impact areas. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working Group #1: _____ • Working Group #2: _____ • Working Group #3: _____ • Working Group #4: _____ • Working Group #5: _____
1:00 PM	Lunch Break
2:00 PM	Action Plan Development Working groups will develop action plans to address their respective impact areas. This includes the identification of organizational partnerships and the development of action items, timelines, and benchmarks for progress. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working Group #1: _____ • Working Group #2: _____ • Working Group #3: _____ • Working Group #4: _____ • Working Group #5: _____
4:00 PM	Group Discussion What is CNU’s role, both as a movement and as an organization, in domestic and global efforts to address climate change? How do we ensure implementation of topics and action plans developed at the summit?
5:30 PM	Happy Hour – Chadwicks Old Town (Waterfront)