

08:00	WELCOME COFFEE & REGISTRATION
09:00	OPENING REMARKS LEO STEMPE HEAD OF CONTENT, BIO INNOVATIONS NORTH AMERICA
09:05 KEYNOTE ADDRESS	NSF RURALSTAMINA BIOMANUFACTURING ENGINE - POWERING THE FUTURE OF BIOMANUFACTURING IN AMERICA’S AG-HEARTLAND HOSTED BY MAUREEN LARSEN DIRECTOR, NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DAN HOFFMAN CEO, INVEST NEBRASKA KEVIN MOORE CEO, NSF RURALSTAMINA ENGINE KATIE PETTINGER PROGRAM DIRECTOR, TIP, NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
09:30	THE BIOMANUFACTURING SHARK TANK HOSTED BY NIGEL REUEL CTO, NSF RURALSTAMINA BIOMANUFACTURING ENGINE SHARKS: LISA DUFRESNE INVESTMENT MANAGER, CORPORATE VENTURE CAPITAL, GC VENTURES KEITH MARCINOWSKI PRINCIPAL SCIENTIST, ADVANCED SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY SCOUTING, THE J.M. SMUCKER COMPANY CHRIS FORGEY SENIOR SEGMENT DIRECTOR, ADM MICHAEL HERSHKOWITZ DIRECTOR, GLOBAL SUSTAINABILITY AND SUSTAINABLE INNOVATION, IFF RICHARD MUISENER DIRECTOR, RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, & INNOVATION, EVONIK PITCHING COMPANIES: CRAFT BIOSOLUTIONS ECOVALERIC KEMVERA LÅKRIL TECHNOLOGIES OLEO SUSTAINABLE CHEMICALS
10:15 PANEL DISCUSSION	BIOMANUFACTURING AROUND THE WORLD: LESSONS FOR U.S. SCALE-UPS AND INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES HOSTED BY VARSHA SETHURAMAN SENIOR RESEARCH ASSOCIATE, LUX RESEARCH DR MIKE DORRINGTON DIRECTOR AND HEAD OF FOOD & INDUSTRIAL BIOTECHNOLOGY, ONTARIO GENOMICS DORIS DE GUZMAN PRINCIPAL, GREEN D MARKET ANALYTICS TONY SHORT CHIEF COMMERCIAL OFFICER, CATALYXX NIVATHA BALENDRA FOUNDER & CEO, DISPERSA
10:45	SCALING CELLULOSE TO BIOPRODUCTS MIKE CASSATA CO-FOUNDER, CHIEF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER, BIOFINE NORTH AMERICA
10:50	NETWORKING COFFEE
11:30	INNOVATION FROM LAB TO LUNCHBOX: SCOUTING AND SCALING NOVEL BIOMANUFACTURED INGREDIENTS AND PACKAGING SOLUTIONS FOR THE J.M. SMUCKER COMPANY KEITH MARCINOWSKI PRINCIPAL SCIENTIST, ADVANCED SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY SCOUTING, THE J.M. SMUCKER COMPANY

11:45	THE COMMODITIZATION OF FDCA: NAVIGATING FEEDSTOCK, IP, AND SCALE-UP NENG GUO FOUNDER & CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CELLURANICS
12:00	ENZYMES - THE HIDDEN ENGINE OF SUSTAINABLE PRODUCT INNOVATION TIM EYES PROGRAM DIRECTOR, IMPERAGEN
12:15 PANEL DISCUSSION	SCALING BIOBASED INNOVATIONS: FEEDSTOCK ABUNDANCE, MARKET GAPS, AND THE PATH FORWARD HOSTED BY DR ALEX BUCK DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIAL INNOVATION, IOWA CORN LISA DUFRESNE INVESTMENT MANAGER, CORPORATE VENTURE CAPITAL, GC VENTURES DAVE PUCCI PRINCIPAL TECHNOLOGIST – NEW TECHNOLOGIES, TECHNIP ENERGIES JAMES GLUECK EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, PLANT BASED PRODUCTS COUNCIL
12:45	NETWORKING LUNCH
14:00 PANEL DISCUSSION	BUILDING THE TALENT PIPELINE TO DRIVE AMERICA’S BIOMANUFACTURING SCALE-UP HOSTED BY ROB OWEN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BIO NEBRASKA JACKIE CLIFFORD BIOTECHNOLOGY PROGRAM DIRECTOR, METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE JAMES BEAUPRE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION, UNIVERSITY OF MAINE ANGELA CONSANI CEO & CO-FOUNDER, BIOSCIENCE CORE SKILLS INSTITUTE PAUL CALDWELL SITE DIRECTOR, EVONIK
14:30	MEETING GLOBAL RNG DEMAND THROUGH UTILITY-SCALE DEPLOYMENT STUART RYMER VICE PRESIDENT, CORPORATE SUPPORT, BIOTECH ENERGY SOLUTIONS
14:45	ETHANOL’S NEXT ACT JOAQUÍN ALARCÓN PRESIDENT AND CEO, CATALYXX

15:30 NETWORKING DRINKS & GOODBYES

THANK YOU AND SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!



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