

Summit Program

Monday, May 19, 2025

8:00 am

Registration

8:45 am

Welcome Remarks

Hon. Ricardo Lara, Insurance Commissioner, State of California

Steven Rothstein, Managing Director, Ceres Accelerator

Master of Ceremony: Dana Popish Severinghaus, Former Director, Illinois Department of Insurance

9:00-10:00 am

Catastrophe Risk: Global Innovation and Challenges to Insurability

Moderator: Hon. Grace Arnold, Insurance Commissioner, State of Minnesota

- Kylie Macfarlane, Deputy CEO, Insurance Council of Australia
- Alice Hill, Senior Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations
- Butch Bacani, Head of Insurance, UN Environment Programme
- Alexandre Leal, Director, Brazilian Insurance Confederation

10:00-10:30 am

Wildfire Preparedness and Catastrophe Mitigation

Keynote Speaker

Anne Cope, PhD, P.E, Chief Engineer, Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety (IBHS)

10:30-11:30 am

Data: Adapting to Wildfires, Storms and Other Perils

Moderator: Hon. Glen Mulready, Insurance Commissioner, State of Oklahoma

- Raghuveer Vinukollu, SVP, Climate Resilience, Munich Reinsurance America
- Lars Powell, Director and Senior Research Professional, Center for Risk and Insurance Research, University of Alabama
- Eric Riggs, Dean, College of Natural Resources and Sciences, Cal Poly Humboldt
- Anne Cope, Chief Engineer, IBHS





11:30-12:30 pm

What is the Future of Insurance?

Speakers

Hon. Elizabeth Dwyer, Director, Dept. of Business Regulation, Rhode Island Stephen J. Cloobeck, Founder Chairman, Diamond Resorts International Barney Schauble, Senior Advisor at Nephila and Principal of Greenthread

12:30-1:30 pm

Lunch

1:30-2:30 pm

Innovation: The Heat Is On!

Moderator: Hon. Nathan Houdek, Insurance Commissioner, State of Wisconsin

- Daniel Murphy, Risk and Resilience Specialist, World Economic Forum
- Kathy Baughman McLeod, Climate Resilience for All
- Liz Henderson, Global Head of Climate Risk Advisory, AON

2:30-3:00 pm

Technology: How New Tools Can Align Resiliency Actions

Moderator: Carolyn Kousky, Associate VP, Economics & Policy Analysis, Environmental Defense Fund Founder, Insurance for Good

- Stephen Nolan, Managing Director, UN Development Programme Financial Centres for Sustainability
- Morgan Richmond, Adaptation and Resilience Lead, Climate Policy Initiative

3:00-3:30 pm

Break

3:30-4:30 pm

Catastrophe Risk: Blueprints to Strengthen Infrastructure and Adapt to Multiple Risks

Moderator: Hon. Michael Conway, Insurance Commissioner, State of Colorado

- Dipika Deol, Vice President, Public Sector Solutions, Swiss Re
- Mike Peterson, Senior Deputy Commissioner on Climate and Sustainability, California Department of Insurance
- Sheri Wilbanks, Head of Sustainability Metrics and Solutions AXA Group Underwriting Office





4:30-5:30 pm

Innovation: Insights from Latin American Markets

- Alex Lara, Superintendent of Insurance, Honduras
- Jazmín Adriana Bernal Lugo, Superintendent of Insurance, Paraguay
- Diego Sueiras, President, Fundación Nueva Generación Argentina
- Francisco E. Campos Alvarez, Intendent of Insurance, Dominican Republic

5:30-5:45 pm

Closing Themes for a More Insurable Future

Carolyn Kousky, Associate VP, Economics & Policy Analysis, *Environmental Defense Fund* Founder. *Insurance for Good*

6:30 pm

GSIS Dinner Reception

Location: Hotel Maya





Summit Program

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

9:00 am

Enhancing Risk Resilience in Asia

Min Hung Cheng, CEO, Global Asia Insurance Partnership

9:15-10:15 am

Protection Gaps: Tackling Global Flooding and Heavy Rainfall

Moderator: Hon. Scott White, Insurance Commissioner, State of Virginia

- Serena Sowers, Senior Vice President, Marsh McLennan
- Newsha Ajami, Chief Strategy and Development Officer for Research, Earth and Environmental Services, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab
- Min Hung Cheng, CEO, Global Asia Insurance Partnership

10:15-11:15 am

Technology: Leveraging Data and Innovation to Build Resilient Communities

Moderator: Hon. Andrew Stolfi, Insurance Commissioner, State of Oregon

- Julie Shiyou-Woodard, President and CEO, Smart Home America
- Andrew Mais, Insurance Commissioner, State of Connecticut
- María Belén Gómez, Board Director, Rio Uruguay Seguros
- Bridget Carle, Senior Vice President, Guy Carpenter

11:15-11:30 am

TCFD Analysis Update

Steven Rothstein, Managing Director, Ceres Accelerator Jaclyn de Medicci Bruneau, Insurance Director, Ceres Accelerator

11:30-12:00 pm

Impact of Mitigation and Resilience on Insurance Markets

Hon. Ricardo Lara, Insurance Commissioner, State of California and Gabe Tirador, CEO, Mercury Insurance

12:00-1:00 pm

Lunch





1:00-1:45 pm

Sustainable Insurance: Building the Transition to a More Inclusive and Resilient Economy

- Butch Bacani, Head of Insurance, UN Environment Programme
- Brian O'Hanlon, Managing Director, Climate Finance, RMI
- Margaret Peluso, Global Climate Officer, Chubb Group, and Executive Director, Chubb Charitable Foundation

1:45-2:00 pm

Break

2:00-3:00 pm

Accessibility & Affordability: Creating Safety Nets to Close Protection Gaps

Moderator: Jay Bruns, Senior Climate Policy Advisor, Washington State Office of the Insurance Commissioner (stand-in for Hon. Patty Kuderer, Insurance Commissioner, State of Washington)

- Kai-Uwe Schanz, Director of Financial Inclusion and Geo-economic Advisor, Geneva Association
- Alfred Fraijo Jr., Founder and Partner, Somos Group
- Amy Bach, Executive Director, United Policyholders
- Layalee Ramahi, UN Environment Programme Finance Initiative

3:00-3:30 pm

Bermuda, "The World's Risk Capital" Speakers

- Hon. Elizabeth Dwyer, Director, Dept. of Business Regulation, Rhode Island
- Craig Swan, CEO, Bermuda Monetary Authority





3:45-5:00 pm

Outdoor Breakout Groups

Emerging Risks:

Can Insurance Safeguard Biodiversity and Ecosystems?

Lead: Deborah Halberstadt, CDI Special Advisor, Biodiversity and Inclusive Insurance

Sustainable Insurance:

What Constitutes an Insurable Community?

Lead: Carolyn Kousky, Associate VP, Economics and Policy Analysis, Environmental Defense Fund

Innovative:

How can data and new insurance strategies drive innovation to protect global markets?

Lead: Judson Boomhower, Assistant Professor, UC San Diego Steven Rothstein, Managing Director, Ceres Accelerator Jaclyn de Medicci Bruneau, Insurance Director, Ceres Accelerator

6:00-8:00 pm

Green Port and Harbor Innovations Tour







