



PRELIMINARY PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

Monday, May 6, 2019

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
6:30PM – 10:30PM	Opening Reception	Rock-n-Roll Hall of Fame

Tuesday, May 7, 2019

Westin Cleveland Downtown

TIME	EVENT	ROOM
7:00AM – 8:00AM	Registration & Breakfast	
8:00AM – 8:10AM	Welcome & Opening Remarks	Orchid Ballroom
8:10AM – 8:25AM	Remarks from Presenting Sponsor	Orchid Ballroom
8:25AM – 8:50AM	Opening Keynote Address	Orchid Ballroom
8:50AM – 9:30AM	Plenary Keynote and Q&A North America's Economic Engine – State of the Great Lakes Economy Doug Porter Chief Economist and Managing Director BMO Financial Group	Orchid Ballroom
9:30AM – 10:00AM	Networking, Exhibit Showcase & Refreshment Break	
10:00AM – 10:20AM	Plenary Keynote and Q&A DHL Global Connectedness Index 2018 – State of Globalization Steven A. Altman Senior Research Scholar and Executive Director Center for the Globalization of Education and Management New York University Stern School of Business	Orchid Ballroom
10:20AM – 11:20AM	Plenary Panel Session From the USMCA to the Pacific Alliance – Connecting the Great Lakes to Global Trade	Orchid Ballroom
11:20AM – 11:50PM	Networking, Exhibit Showcase & Refreshment Break	



11:50PM – 1:00PM	Luncheon & Keynote Address	Orchid Ballroom
1:00PM – 1:20PM	Plenary Keynote and Q&A	Orchid Ballroom
1:20PM – 1:40PM	Plenary Keynote and Q&A The Great Lakes Region: An Opportunity for Cooperative Regulatory Reform and Economic Growth Dr. Patrick A. McLaughlin Director of Policy Analytics & Senior Research Fellow Mercatus Center George Mason University	Orchid Ballroom
1:40PM – 2:40PM	Breakout Sessions 1A – Great Lakes Agriculture and Agri-Food Sector: Promoting Sustainable Growth, Innovation and Trade 1B – Shifting Gears: The Nuts and Bolts of the Great Lakes Auto Sector and What Lies Ahead for OEMs and Suppliers? 1C – Cutting Red Tape in the Great Lakes: Models for Regulatory Reform for State and Provincial Stakeholders	Vanda North & South Cattleya Calypso
2:40PM – 3:00PM	Networking, Exhibit Showcase & Refreshment Break	
3:00PM – 4:00PM	Breakout Sessions 2A – Great Lakes Indigenous Trade and Investment: Expanding the Flow and Exchange of Indigenous Goods, Services and Capital 2B – Reaching New Heights: Scaling the Great Lakes Aerospace Industry for Long-Term Growth and Success 2C – Transportation Investment and Site Selection: Opportunities for the Great Lakes	Vanda North & South Cattleya Calypso



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4:00PM – 5:00PM	Plenary Session Marine Delivers: The Economic Impact and Long-Term Competitiveness of Shipping in the Great Lakes	Orchid Ballroom
5:00PM – 5:20PM	Plenary Keynote and Q&A United States Coast Guard’s Maritime Commerce Strategic Outlook - Key Directions for the Binational Great Lakes Rear Admiral Joanna Nunan Commander, Ninth Coast Guard District U.S. Coast Guard	Orchid Ballroom
5:20PM	Day One Program Concludes	Orchid Ballroom
6:30PM – 7:30PM	Reception	
7:30PM	Great Lakes Leaders Dinner	Orchid Ballroom



Wednesday, May 8, 2019

TIME	EVENT	ROOM
7:00AM – 8:00AM	Registration & Breakfast	
8:00AM – 8:20AM	Plenary Keynote and Q&A	Orchid Ballroom
8:20AM – 8:40AM	Plenary Keynote and Q&A	Orchid Ballroom
8:40AM – 9:00AM	Plenary Keynote and Q&A	Orchid Ballroom
9:00AM – 10:00AM	Plenary Panel Session Global Growth Tourism: Promoting the Great Lakes as an All Season Destination	Orchid Ballroom
10:00AM – 10:30AM	Networking, Exhibit Showcase & Refreshment Break	
10:30AM – 11:30AM	Plenary Panel Session Great Lakes Airports: Opportunities and Challenges in Moving People and Goods Into, Around and Out of the Region	Orchid Ballroom
11:30AM – 12:00PM	Networking, Exhibit Showcase & Refreshment Break	
12:00PM – 1:00PM	Luncheon & Keynote Address	Orchid Ballroom
1:00PM – 1:20PM	Special Presentation 50-Years After the Cuyahoga River Fire – A Journey of Restoration and Economic Revitalization Dr. John Hartig Visiting Scholar Great Lakes Institute for Environmental Research University of Windsor's	Orchid Ballroom
1:20PM – 1:40PM	Plenary Keynote and Q&A Environmental Change: Rising to the Challenge in the Great Lakes, North America and Around the World Dr. Barbara Hendrie Director, North America UN Environment	Orchid Ballroom



1:40PM – 2:00PM	Plenary Keynote and Q&A Designing Smarter Cities for Our Changing World George Thomas, Global Director, Smart Infrastructure Hatch Ltd.	Orchid Ballroom
2:00PM – 2:30PM	Networking, Exhibit Showcase & Refreshment Break	
2:30PM – 3:30PM	Breakout Sessions 3A - Valuing Consumer and Industrial Materials: Transitioning to a Great Lakes Circular Economy 3B - Smart Great Lakes: Igniting a Sustainability Movement in Our Cities and Sectors 3C – Polishing off the Rust: Rediscovering and Revitalizing Great Lakes Cities through Urban Renewal and Economic Development	Vanda North & South Cattleya Calypso
3:30PM – 3:50PM	Plenary Keynote and Q&A	Orchid Ballroom
3:50PM – 4:10PM	Plenary Keynote and Q&A	Orchid Ballroom
4:10PM – 4:30PM	Plenary Keynote and Q&A	Orchid Ballroom
4:30PM – 5:00PM	Concluding Remarks Mark Fisher, President and CEO <i>Council of the Great Lakes Region</i>	Orchid Ballroom
5:00PM	Forum Program Concludes	Orchid Ballroom