

FOOD - ENERGY - ENVIRONMENT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & SMALL BUSINESS ENTREPRENEURSHIP

LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING

May 12, 2017, 8-11:30 am

Rutgers EcoComplex

1200 Florence Columbus Rd, Bordentown, NJ 08505

Agenda

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| 8:00 - 8:30 | Arrival & Light Breakfast |
| 8:30 - 8:45 | Welcome – Assemblyman Reed Gusciora and Dr. Serpil Guran |
| 8:45 - 9:15 | Dr. Peggy Brennan-Tonetta, Associate V.P. for Economic Development, Rutgers University - “Role of University in Catalyzing Economic Development: Overview of Rutgers Food Innovation Center, Clean Energy Cluster Strategy, and NJ Big Data Alliance” |
| 9:15 - 9:45 | Dr. Serpil Guran, Director Rutgers EcoComplex “Clean Energy Innovation Center” - “Creation of Clean Environment & Energy Technology EcoSystem through Start-up Business Acceleration & Incubation” |
| 9:45 - 10:15 | Anne-Marie Maman, New Jersey Business Innovation Network- “New Jersey Business Innovation Network (NJBIN)” |
| 10:15 -10:30 | Jerome Sheehan, Director of Burlington County Solid Waste Management- “Welcome to the Burlington County Resource Recovery Facilities” |
| 10:30 -11:30 | Tour of the Facilities |
| 11:30 | Adjourn |

RSVP is recommended. Please email lorraine.raider@rutgers.edu by 5/11/2017.

Assemblyman Reed Gusciora



Assemblyman Gusciora was born March 27, 1960 in Passaic. He attended public schools in Jamesburg and graduated from Jamesburg High School in 1978. Gusciora studied international relations at The Catholic University of America in Washington D.C., before working in the congressional office of the late Mike Synar (D-Oklahoma). He earned a law degree from Seton Hall University, and cut his teeth in New Jersey politics on the 1989 gubernatorial campaign of the late Barbara Boggs Sigmund. Mr. Gusciora is currently serving his twelfth term in the Assembly, works as a municipal prosecutor, and teaches upper-level political science courses at The College of New Jersey. He is a board member of the Mercer ARC, New Jersey EASEL, and sits on the Governor's Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS. Gusciora chairs the Assembly Regulatory Oversight, Federal Relations, and Reform Committee.

Peggy Brennan-Tonetta, Ph.D.



Dr. Brennan-Tonetta is responsible for the development and implementation of new university wide economic development initiatives. In this role, she provides administrative leadership for the Rutgers Discovery Informatics Institute (RDI2) and led the development of the Rutgers' Corporate Engagement Plan and the Innovation Park@Rutgers Strategic Plan. She also was a co-leader of the Rutgers University Advanced Cyberinfrastructure Strategic Planning effort and founder of the New Jersey Big Data Alliance, among other responsibilities. In addition, she has administrative responsibility for the Rutgers EcoComplex, an award-winning clean energy innovation center and the Rutgers Food Innovation Center, in which she led the development, organization, and strategic direction of this internationally recognized food business incubator. She holds a BS in Economics, MS in Agricultural Economics and PhD in Planning and Public Policy, all from Rutgers University.

Serpil Guran, Ph.D.



Dr. Guran promotes clean energy technologies that need supportive translational research to move the basic discovery to a marketable innovation using proof-of-concept, prototyping, scale-up and technology verification. She and her team provide clean energy start-ups comprehensive program of on-site engineering services with an emphasis on testing, verification and scale-up of technologies. Dr. Guran specializes in research, development and assessment of sustainable biofuel and recycling technologies, and life cycle analysis of advanced fuel production systems. Her current research and teaching include sustainability, bioenergy technologies, Energy/Water/Food Nexus and climate change mitigation through clean energy development. Serpil has a M.S. in Chemical Engineering and Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering, with a specialization in Fuel and Energy Technology, from the Leeds University, UK.

Anne-Marie Maman



Ms. Maman is the Executive Director of the Princeton Entrepreneurship Council (PEC). PEC works closely with existing campus organizations to enable Entrepreneurship the Princeton Way. PEC also manages the Alumni Entrepreneurs Fund which provides recent alumni startups up to \$100,000 in matching funds, mentorship, and peer-to-peer learning opportunities throughout the year. And PEC is managing the development and opening of a new 30,000 sqft Princeton Innovation Center, which will house wetlab, drylab and desk co-working facilities for Princeton-affiliated and other startups in Central New Jersey. Prior to joining Princeton University, Anne-Marie was a medical technology entrepreneur. Anne-Marie is the Treasurer and Secretary of the NJ Business Innovation Network. Anne-Marie has a AB in English from Princeton University, and an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern.