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“Creating the Future”

Leadership Summit of the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Governors and Premiers
Detroit, Michigan and Windsor, Ontario
October 20-22, 2017

*Unless otherwise stated, all sessions are business attire.
Only confirmed speakers listed.*

Friday, October 20

12:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Marriott Hotel Lobby
400 Renaissance Dr,
Renaissance Center
Detroit, MI 48243

Summit Registration

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
3rd Floor Foyer
Art Gallery of Windsor
401 Riverside Dr W,
Windsor, ON N9A 7J1
Canada

Press Conference Registration

2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Valiant Corporation Suite
Art Gallery of Windsor

Governors’ and Premiers’ Press Conference

Remarks by each participating Governor and Premier followed by question and answer session.

Open Press

Attendance: Governors, Premiers, other heads of State and Provincial delegations and press.

5:30 p.m.
Meet in Marriott Hotel
Lobby

Buses depart for Welcome Reception

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6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
The Henry Ford
20900 Oakwood Boulevard
Dearborn, MI 48124

Welcome Reception

Welcoming remarks by Michigan Department of Transportation
Director Kirk Steudle
Throughout the evening, guests will be able to see the museum’s
many exhibits, including the presidential limousine of John F.
Kennedy, Abraham Lincoln's chair from Ford's Theatre, Thomas
Edison's laboratory, the Wright Brothers' bicycle shop, the Rosa
Parks bus, and many more historical exhibits both independently
and through guided tours.

Closed Press

*Attendance: All Participants except for Governors, Premiers and
Heads of Delegation*

Attire: Casual

7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
The Henry Ford

Opening Dinner

Closed Press

*Attendance: All Participants except for Governors, Premiers and
Heads of Delegation*

Attire: Casual

9:00 p.m.
Meet at The Henry Ford
Entrance

Buses depart for Marriott Hotel

Saturday, October 21

Unless otherwise noted, all events will be held at the Marriott Hotel.

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
42 Degrees North

Governors’ and Premiers’ Breakfast with Sponsors

Sponsors seated at Governor’s/Premier’s table of their choice
(based on space available).

Closed Press

Attendance: Governors, Premiers, Heads of Delegation, Sponsors

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Ambassador Ballroom
Foyer

Registration

9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.
Ambassador Ballroom

Opening plenary session

Invocation by Ogema Larry Romanelli of the Little River Band of
Ottawa Indians. Welcoming remarks by Governor Snyder and
Premier Wynne.

Introduction to “Blue Accounting” kiosks by Ridgway White,
President, Charles Stewart Mott Foundation.

Open Press

Attendance: All Participants

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9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Ambassador Ballroom

Growing the Regional Economy

Speaker: Ohio Lieutenant Governor Mary Taylor, Chair,
Conference of Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Governors and
Premiers Economic Task Force

The Lieutenant Governor will make major announcements on the
Conference’s policy and infrastructure “action agenda” to ease
cross-border trade, measures to improve regional labor
productivity, and actions to support key economic clusters.

Open Press

Attendance: All Participants

10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
Ambassador Ballroom

Creating A Competitive Regional Transportation System

Moderator: Charlie Zelle, Commissioner, Minnesota Department
of Transportation

Speakers:

John Kwant, Vice President, City Solutions, Ford Motor
Company;

Serge Le Guellec, President and General Manager, Transport
Desgagnés;

John Orr, Senior Vice-President, Southern Region, CN

This session will focus on how to strategically support and
strengthen the transportation system and enhance regional
competitiveness through investment and policy innovation.

Open Press

Attendance: All Participants

11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
Ambassador Ballroom

Critical Infrastructure for the Regional Maritime System

Speaker: Lieutenant Colonel Dennis Sugrue, Detroit District
Commander, US Army Corps of Engineers

Discussion will focus on the importance of maritime
infrastructure including the Soo locks to the regional and national
economies.

Open Press

Attendance: All Participants

11:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Ambassador Ballroom

Governor Walker Presentation

Open Press

Attendance: All Participants

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
42 Degrees North

Lunch

Speaker: Bruce Nierenberg, President and Chief Executive
Officer, Victory Cruise Lines

Open Press

Attendance: All Participants

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1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Ambassador Ballroom

Building on Success to Protect the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence
Speakers: Charles Wooley, Deputy Regional Director, Midwest Region, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service;

Other speakers to be confirmed.

Working through the Conference, major strides have been made in recent years to fight aquatic invasive species and reduce nutrient inputs to vulnerable waters. This session will focus on these successes and how to build on them going forward.

Open Press

Attendance: All Participants

2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Ambassador Ballroom

The Circular Economy and Its Potential to Help Protect and Restore the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence

Speakers:

Sachin Dalal, Senior Manager, Digital Analytics, Accenture;

Jessica Long, Managing Director, Strategy & Sustainability, Accenture

This session will talk about the idea of the circular economy, and its potential to support the protection and restoration of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence both in the case of business and through creative public-private partnerships.

Open Press

Attendance: All Participants

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Ambassador Ballroom
Foyer

Break

Informational kiosks on “Blue Accounting” provided by the Great Lakes Commission and The Nature Conservancy

3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Ambassador Ballroom

Premier Couillard Presentation

Open Press

Attendance: All Participants

3:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.
Ambassador Ballroom

The Power of New Technologies for Future Generations

Introductory Remarks by Premier Wynne and Governor Snyder
New technologies and a skilled workforce prepared to use them are critical to the future success of our people and our region.

This session will discuss how robotics has been used as a fun and educational way to engage young people as they build their skills and prepare to “create the future.” The session will include a demonstration by U.S. and Canadian teams.

5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Location TBD

Sponsors’ Photos with Governors and Premiers

Closed Press

Attendance: Governors, Premiers, platinum and gold sponsors

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6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Port of Detroit
Waterview Loft
130 E. Atwater Street,
Detroit, MI 48226
(the Port is a very short
walk from the Marriott
Hotel)

Reception and Dinner
Closed Press
Attendance: All participants
Attire: Casual

8:00 p.m. – on
Locations TBD by hosts

Post-dinner receptions to be hosted by sponsors or others as appropriate

Sunday, October 22

Please see Conference website for a listing of available worship services.

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
Marriott Hotel
42 Degrees North

Breakfast session
Speaker: Laura Grannemann, Vice President of Strategic Investments, Rock Ventures
Closed Press
Attendance: All Participants
Attire: Casual

10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.
Meet in Marriott Hotel
Lobby

Cultural Event
Detroit Experience Factory Bus Tour
The bus tour will provide an opportunity to see the revitalization of Detroit and its emergence as the “comeback city.”
Closed Press
Attendance: All Participants
Attire: Casual

12:00 p.m.

Summit adjourns