



UNITED FOR GROWTH

“Growing Together”
Leadership Summit of the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Governors & Premiers
Cleveland, Ohio
September 17-19, 2021

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

Friday, September 17

12:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Renaissance Hotel Lobby
24 Public Square
Cleveland, Ohio 44113

Summit Registration

This elegant Cleveland hotel, built in 1918, reflects the city's unique sense of style and rich cultural history. And, near-endless entertainment options are just outside the front door including the must-visit Rock & Roll Hall of Fame.

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Great Lakes Science Center
601 Erieside Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44114

Press Conference Registration

2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Great Lakes Science Center

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.

5:45 p.m.
Meet in Renaissance Hotel
Lobby

Buses depart for Welcome Reception

Buses depart from the Renaissance Hotel. Participants may also enjoy the short twenty-minute walk from the Renaissance Hotel to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame.

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6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Rock & Roll Hall of Fame 1100 Rock and Roll Boulevard Cleveland, Ohio 44114	Welcome Reception <i>Closed Press</i> <i>Attendance: All Participants</i> <i>Attire: Casual</i>
7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Rock & Roll Hall of Fame	Opening Dinner Welcoming remarks by Governor DeWine <i>Closed Press</i> <i>Attendance: All Participants</i> <i>Attire: Casual</i>
9:00 p.m. Meet at Rock & Roll Hall of Fame Main Entrance	Buses depart for Renaissance Hotel Buses depart from the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. Participants may also enjoy the short twenty-minute walk from the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame to the Renaissance Hotel.
9:00 p.m. – on Locations TBD by hosts	Post-dinner receptions to be hosted by sponsors or others as appropriate

Saturday, September 18

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

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Registration
9:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	Plenary Sessions <i>Open Press</i> <i>Attendance: All Participants</i>
9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. Ballroom	Tribal Invocation Welcoming remarks by Governor DeWine - “Growing Together”
9:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Overview of H2Ohio and efforts to improve regional water quality

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- 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **Water infrastructure**—including discussion of racial equity, environmental justice and inclusion in economically disadvantaged areas.
Moderator: Commissioner Bruno Pigott, Indiana Department of Environmental Management
Speakers: Secretary Preston Cole, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources;
Ms. Crystal M.C. Davis, Vice President of Policy & Strategic Engagement, Alliance for the Great Lakes;
Ms. Helen Davis Johnson, President, Michigan Municipal League Foundation
- 10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. **Governor/Premier Remarks**
- 10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Great Lakes Impact Investment Platform** including spotlight on participating projects as well as the opportunities and promise of impact investing for different types of communities where both positive environmental and social impacts are possible.
Moderator: Treasurer Rachael Eubanks, State of Michigan
Speakers: Mr. Mike Manning, Executive Director and Chief Investment Officer, Ontario Finance Authority;
Dr. Michele Pitale, Managing Partner, CounterpointeSRE;
Dr. Sanjiv K. Sinha, Chief Sustainability Officer and Senior Vice President, ECT
- 11:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. **Governor/Premier Remarks**
- 11:45 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.**
Ballroom **Lunch**
Open Press
Attendance: All Participants
- 1:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**
Grand Ballroom **Plenary Sessions**
Open Press
Attendance: All Participants
- 1:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Maritime transportation** including launch of 5-year GSGP action plan; discussion of smart shipping, green shipping and other strategies to increase economic value and environmental performance.
Moderator: Director Jack Marchbanks, Ohio Department of Transportation
Speakers: Mr. David Bolduc, Executive Director, Green Marine;

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Dr. David Closs, Professor Emeritus, Michigan State University/Axia Institute

- 2:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. **Creative approaches to combat **Aquatic Invasive Species****
Moderator: Erika Jensen, Interim Executive Director, Great Lakes Commission
Speakers: Director Colleen Callahan, Illinois Department of Natural Resources;
Ms. Sarah Rang, Executive Director, Invasive Species Centre of Ontario;
Mr. Thor Sigfusson, Founder, Iceland Ocean Cluster
- 2:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. **Break**
- 3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Governor/Premier Remarks**
- 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. **Economic development opportunity of carbon**—supply chain demand with corporate commitments, land protection to generate credits, energy transition, importance of interconnected electricity markets including for hydroelectricity.
Moderator: Lieutenant Governor Mandela Barnes, State of Wisconsin
Speakers: Mr. Lourenco Goncalves, Chairman, President and CEO, Cleveland-Cliffs;
Mr. Michael Reuter, Midwest Division Director and North America Leadership Team Member, The Nature Conservancy;
Mr. Jean Simard, President and CEO, Aluminium Association of Canada
- 5:45 p.m.**
Meet in Renaissance Hotel Lobby
- 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**
Music Box Supper Club
1148 Main Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44113
- 8:00 and 9:00 p.m.**
Meet at Music Box Supper
- Buses depart for Music Box Supper Club**
- Reception and Dinner**
Closed Press
Attendance: All Participants except for Governors, Premiers and Heads of Delegation
Attire: Casual
- Buses depart for Renaissance Hotel**
Buses depart from the Music Box Supper Club. Participants

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Club Main Entrance

may also enjoy the water taxi to the East Bank of the Cuyahoga River and the short walk to the Renaissance Hotel.

**9:00 p.m. – on
Locations TBD by hosts**

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

Sunday, September 19

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

**8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
Renaissance Hotel**

Brunch

Closed Press

Attendance: All Participants

Attire: Casual

9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Field Trip—Ohio & Erie Canalway and the Centennial Lake Link Trail

Ohio Department of Natural Resources Director Mary Mertz will lead a walking tour of a portion of the Ohio & Erie Canalway and The Cleveland Foundation Centennial Lake Link Trail. The trailhead is a short walk from the Renaissance Hotel at the terminus of the Ohio & Erie Canalway. The Canalway is a National Heritage Area designated by Congress in 1996 to help preserve and celebrate the rails, trails, landscapes, towns and sites that grew up along the first 110 miles of the canal that helped America grow. Annually, more than 2.5 million people find their way to the iconic 87-mile trail running through the heart of the Canalway. The walking tour will include interpretive speakers at key sites on the trail.

Open Press

Attendance: All Participants

Attire: Casual

11:30 a.m.

Summit adjourns