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TECHNOLOGY FORUM AGENDA THE BENSON PORTLAND AUGUST 29 – 31, 2023

Times listed are pacific daylight time.

Tuesday - August 29, 2023

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm Welcome Reception

Wednesday - August 30, 2023

7:00 am – 8:00 am Registration
7:00 am – 8:00 am Breakfast Buffet

8:00 am – 8:15 am Opening Remarks

Speaker: Brian H. Green, RPG, FACI, Senior Research Geologist & CIC Chair

Company: U. S. Army Corps of Engineers - Engineer Research & Development Center

8:15 am — 8:45 am Technology Showcase: **REBEL Sensors for Real-time Concrete Strength Monitoring** -

without using a maturity curve

Speaker: Luna Lu, CEO of WaveLogix Inc., Associate Dean of the College of Engineering,

& Reilly Professor of Lyles School of Civil Engineering, Purdue University

Company: WaveLogix, Inc.

8:45 am – 9:15 am Presentation: Unveiling the Advances in Basalt Technology: From Basalt Fibers to BFRP

Reinforcement

Speaker: Alvaro Ruiz Emparanza, PhD, Postdoctoral Associate

Company: University of Miami

9:15 am – 9:45 am Presentation: How Do Venture Capitalists Evaluate Technologies for Investment?

Speaker: Curtis Rogers

Company: Brick & Mortar Ventures

9:45 am – 10:15 am ***Break***

10:15 am – 10:45am Technology Showcase: **3 Essentials to Align your BIM in AR**

Speaker: **Maret Thatcher**, CEO Company: Argyle Build Inc.

10:45 am – 11:15am Presentation: Using Machine Learning to Automate Design Tasks

Speaker: Brad Malmsten, PE, Senior Principal

Company: Thornton Tomasetti





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11:15 am - 11:45am Presentation: An Overview of NEU and its Validation Program

Speaker: Dean Frank, PE, Executive Director of NEU

Company: NEU - An ACI Center of Excellence for Carbon Neutral Concrete

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm ***Lunch***

1:00 pm – 1:30 pm Technology Showcase: Carbon Capture of CO₂ from Gas Streams

Speaker: Brittany Zimmerman, CEO & Chief of Innovation

Company: Yummet

1:30 pm – 2:00 pm Presentation: CCUS and Innovative Materials: The Building Blocks for Net-Zero

Concrete

Speaker: Emily Kunkel, PE, Vice President – Applied Science

Company: Thornton Tomasetti

2:00 pm – 2:30 pm Technology Showcase: Sublime Systems - Decarbonizing Cement Manufacturing with

Electrochemical Lime Production
Speaker: Leah Ellis, CEO & Co-Founder
Company: Sublime Systems, Inc.

2:30 pm - 2:45 pm ***Break***

2:45 pm – 3:15 pm Presentation: Recycled Concrete Aggregate (RCA) in New Concrete

Speaker: **Greg McKinnon**, General Manager Company: Stoneway Concrete Company

3:15 pm – 3:45 pm Presentation: Examination of Structures Using Multimodal Imaging and Image Fusion –

Case Studies on a Prestressed Concrete Bridge and the Great Pyramid at Giza

Speaker: Thomas Schumacher, PhD, PE (DE), Associate Professor

Company: Portland State University

3:45 pm – 4:00 pm Closing Remarks

5:30 pm – 8:30 pm Group Cocktail Hour and Dinner

Portland City Grill (located on the 30th floor of the U.S. Bancorp building)

111 SW 5th Avenue Portland, OR 97204



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Thursday – August 31, 2023

8:00 am - 8:30 am Presentation: 3D Printing in Construction - UAE Case Study

Speaker: Haidar Alhaidary, Project Executive

Company: Middle East Engineering Technologies (MEET)

8:30 am – 9:00 pm Presentation: Framework for Characterizing the Performance of High-Early Strength,

High-Volume Fly Ash Concrete Structures

Speaker: Matthew J. Gombeda, PhD, Associate Professor of Civil Engineering

Company: Illinois Institute of Technology

9:00 am – 9:30 am Technology Showcase: SmartRock Pro - Wireless Sensor Measuring In-situ Concrete

Strength

Speaker: Sarah De Carufel, Senior Product Owner

Company: Giatec Scientific Inc.

9:30 am - 10:00 am Presentation: Case Studies in Scalable Innovation for Concrete Sustainability

Speaker: Sean Monkman, PhD, PE, VP Concrete Sustainability

Company: ICON

10:00 am - 10:15 am ***Break***

10:15 am - 11:45 am Debate Part II: Alternatives to Concrete Cylinder Testing for Strength

A panel will discuss several types of technology currently available to determine concrete strength. Common themes are the use of sensors, artificial intelligence, and

non-destructive methodologies.

Moderator: Rex C. Donahey, PhD, PE, Director of Innovative Concrete Technology, ACI

Viewpoints of Panelists: Client/Lab: to be confirmed

Concrete Producer: Patrick Frawley of Vulcan Materials – W. Div. of Central Concrete

Contractor: Eric Peterson of Webcor Concrete

Engineer: to be confirmed

Technology Owner: Luna Lu of WaveLogix, Inc.

Technology Owner: Sarah De Carufel of Giatec Scientific, Inc.

Q&A with Attendees

11:45 am - 12:00 pm Wrap-up and Adjourn

12:00 pm – 5:00 pm Closed Business Meeting: Concrete Innovation Council