Tentative Programme

The 12th RCE Americas Regional Meeting

*on ‘Youth Engagement – Empowering Our Youth to be Change Makers’*

*26-29 September 2023*

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\*Time is indicated in Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

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| **Tuesday, September 26** | | |
| **Time\*** | **Activity** | **Location** |
| **Morning and early**  **afternoon** | Arrival at Atlanta’s Hartsfield Jackson International Airport. | Meeting attendees should Uber/Lyft from the airport or take MARTA |
| **Afternoon** | Optional activity for attendees who have arrived | King Historic District |
| **6:00 pm** | Pre-meeting optional dinner, social networking | TBD |

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| **Wednesday, September 27** | | |
| **Time** | **Activity** | **Location** |
| **8:00 am –**  **8:30 am** | Travel from hotels to Georgia Tech’s campus (walking distance – or GT bus system) | Georgia Institute of Technology: https://[www.gatech.edu/](http://www.gatech.edu/) |
| **8:30 am –**  **9:00 am** | Light breakfast | Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suites C and D, Georgia Tech |
| **9:00 am -**  **9:10 am** | Opening Session  Welcome from RCE Greater Atlanta  Remarks from the Ministry of the Environment of Japan (Keisuke Midori) | Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suites C and D, Georgia Tech |
| **9:10 am –**  **9:50 am** | RCE News:   * Remarks and Updates from Global RCE Service Centre: Dr Shengru Li, Research Fellow, Innovation and Education Programme, United Nations University Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability (UNU-IAS) * Remarks and updates from RCE Regional Advisor to the Americas region, Dr. Roger Petry | Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suites C and D, Georgia Tech |
| **9:50 am –**  **10:10 am** | RCE Grand Rapids  Gayle DeBruyn, Professor, KCAD  Place Based Design: Connecting Youth to Action Through Projects and Partnerships | Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suites C and D, Georgia Tech |
| **10:10 am -**  **10:30 am** | RCE Presentations (TBD) | Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suites C and D, Georgia Tech |
| **10:30 am -**  **10:40 am** | *BREAK* |  |
| **10:40 am -**  **11:00 am** | Kristina Chatfield and Amani Allen-Beale  SDG Futures Fellows Program  RCE Greater Atlanta | Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suites C and D, Georgia Tech |

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| **11:00am – 12:00pm** | Dr. Stephanie Miles-Richardson, Associate Dean, Graduate Education in Public Health and Director, Master of Public Health Program, Morehouse School of Medicine | Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suites C and D, Georgia Tech |
| **12:00pm – 2:00pm** | Lunch – Atlanta Curb Market (self pay) – transportation provided | Atlanta Curb Market |
| **2:00pm – 4:00pm** | Atlanta Tour (TBD) | TBD |
| **4:00pm – 5:30pm** | Return to hotels (free time) |  |
| **5:30pm- 7:00pm** | Dinner buffet | TBD |
| **7:00pm- 8:00pm** | Student-led panel session (Oriana Silva, RCE Greater Atlanta student team) | TBD |

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| **Thursday, September 28** | | |
| **Time** | **Activity** | **Location** |
| **8:00 am –**  **8:30 am** | Travel from hotels to Georgia Tech’s campus (walking distance – or GT bus system) (Light Breakfast) | Georgia Institute of Technology: https://[www.gatech.edu/](http://www.gatech.edu/) |
| **8:30 am –**  **8:50 am** | Welcome Remarks: Georgia Tech President Angel Cabrera | Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suites C and D, Georgia Tech |
| **8:50am – 9:10am** | Dr. Rebecca Watts Hull, Georgia Tech  Dr. Theresa Snow, Georgia Tech  Empowering Instructors to Empower Students  RCE Greater Atlanta | Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suites C and D, Georgia Tech |
| **9:10 am –**  **9:30 am** | RCE Presentations (TBD) | Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suites C and D, Georgia Tech |
| **9:30am – 10:30am** | University community partnerships for the SDGs | Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suites C and D, Georgia Tech |
| **10:30am – 11:00am** | *BREAK* | Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suites C and D, Georgia Tech |
| **11:00am – 11:20am** | RCE Presentations (TBD) | Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suites C and D, Georgia Tech |
| **11:20am – 11:40am** | RCE Presentations (TBD) | Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suites C and D, Georgia Tech |
| **11:40am – 12:00pm** | RCE Presentations (TBD) | Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suites C and D, Georgia Tech |
| **12:00pm – 1:30pm** | Networking Lunch  (Sponsored by the Ray C. Anderson Center for Sustainable Business and Drawdown Georgia Business Compact) | Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suites C and D, Georgia Tech |
| **1:30pm – 5:00pm** | Atlanta tour option | Atlanta University Center (AUC) |
| **5:00pm** | Dinner (self pay) |  |

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| **Friday, September 29** | | |
| **Time** | **Activity** | **Location** |
| **8:30 am –**  **9:00 am** | Travel from hotels to Georgia Tech’s campus (walking distance – or GT bus system) (Light Breakfast) | Georgia Institute of Technology: https://[www.gatech.edu/](http://www.gatech.edu/) |
| **9:00am – 12:00pm** | Energy Equity Symposium (University community partnerships for clean energy) | Bill Moore Student Success Center, Clary Theater, Georgia Tech |
| **12:00pm – 12:15pm** | Closing session | Bill Moore Student Success Center, Clary Theater, Georgia Tech |
| **12:15pm- 1:15pm** | Lunch | Bill Moore Student Success Center, Hall of Success, Georgia Tech |
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