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## SPEAKERS



**Richard Heinberg**, Senior Fellow, Post Carbon Institute

Richard Heinberg, senior fellow at the Post Carbon Institute, an Oregon-based think tank focused on the environment, climate change, energy and sustainability, is one of the world's foremost advocates for a shift away from fossil fuels. He is the author of 13 books, most recently "Our Renewable Future: Laying the Path for One Hundred Percent Clean Energy," co-authored with David Fridley. He has spoken on energy and climate issues in 14 countries, addressing policy makers from local City Councils to members of the European Parliament. He is a recipient of the M. King Hubbert Award for Excellence in Energy Education, and in 2012 was appointed to His Majesty the King of Bhutan's International Expert Working Group for the New Development Paradigm initiative.



**Dev Millstein**, Research Scientist, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

Dev Millstein focuses on science-based measurements – including meteorological, climate and air quality modeling, along with satellite observations – to inform policy and economic decision-making in his role as a research scientist at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory. He was lead author on a paper on the air quality and climate benefits of wind and solar energy published last summer in Nature Energy, arguing that the rapid deployment of wind and solar technology between 2007 and 2015 led to a rapid decrease in power sector emissions. Millstein received a B.A. in economics from Vassar College and a Ph.D. in environmental engineering from the University of California-Berkeley.



**Michael Skelly**, Founder and President, Clean Line Energy

Michael Skelly is founder and president of Clean Line Energy, which develops interstate transmission lines to connect U.S. wind energy projects to consumer markets. Under Skelly's leadership, Clean Line Energy negotiated a public-private partnership with the U.S. Department of Energy for the construction of the \$2.5 billion Plains & Eastern high voltage direct current transmission line. He previously led Horizon Wind Energy from family ownership through acquisition by Goldman Sachs and ultimately ownership by EDP; the company is now one of the largest renewable energy companies in the world with a portfolio of more than 4,000 megawatts of wind projects across the United States. Skelly received a B.A. in economics from the University of Notre Dame and an MBA from Harvard Business School. He serves on the Board of the American Wind Energy Association.



**Katie Tubb**, Policy analyst, the Heritage Foundation

As policy analyst for energy and environmental issues in the Thomas A. Roe Institute for Economic Policy Studies at the Heritage Foundation, Katie Tubb works on issues including nuclear energy and climate change policies through the lens of the benefits of free-market environmentalism. She is a regular contributor to the think tank's multimedia news organization, The Daily Signal, as well as Heritage's Briefs and Background policy papers. Before joining Heritage as an intern and then a research assistant in the Roe Institute, Tubb interned in the office of then-Rep. Mike Pence, R-Ind. Tubb received a bachelor's degree in history from Grove City College in Grove City, Pa.

## MODERATOR



**Bill Maloney**, Director, Trident Energy and Energy Advisor, Warburg Pincus

William "Bill" Maloney serves on the board of Trident Energy and as an energy advisor to Warburg Pincus. A member of the University of Houston Energy Advisory Board, he retired in 2015 from Statoil, where he was executive vice president and the company's senior executive in North America. Prior to joining Statoil, Maloney was a vice president for Texaco, director of international exploration and production for Davis Petroleum and held various positions with Shell Oil Company. He serves on the corporate advisory board of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists. He received a MS in geology from Syracuse University.



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