2016 CONFERENCE

February 19 - 20, 2016
The Westin Indianapolis Hotel
Indianapolis, Indiana

Building the future of transportation through the global advancement of women.
Preliminary Program

Friday, February 19, 2016

8:00am - 8:15am  Welcome and Opening Remarks
Marcia Ferranto, WTS President and CEO

8:15am - 9:00am  Indianapolis Cultural Trail Presentation
Kären Haley, Cultural Trail Executive Director

9:00am - 10:00am  Small & Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Discussion
- Deborah Green, Administrator, Office of Small & Disadvantaged Business Enterprise, Ohio DOT
- Gustavo Giraldo, Chief of Diversity & Strategic Development, Illinois Tollway
- Nicole Young, PE, Principal, Lion CSG
- Moderator: Kimberly Robinett, Managing Partner, TREKK Design Group

10:00am - 10:30am  Break

10:30am - 11:30am  Breakout Sessions:
Michigan Connected Vehicle Initiative – Advancing Safety and Operations Through Technology
- Deniada Nikollari, Senior ITS Engineer, WSP|Parsons Brinckerhoff
- Michele Mueller, Senior Project Manager Connected and Automated Vehicles, Michigan DOT

Ohio River Bridges – Benefits of Public Partnership Delivery
- Junell Richert, Senior Estimator, The Walsh Group
- Mike O’Donnell, Program Manager, The Walsh Group

11:45am - 1:45pm  Luncheon Presentation:
Boots on the Ground, Flats in the Board Room
- Grace Crunican, General Manager, Bay Area Rapid Transit System (BART) and former Director of the Oregon Department of Transportation
- Shirley Delibero, Former CEO Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas (Houston Metro)
- Mary Peters, President, Mary E. Peters Consulting Group, Board of Directors of HDR Inc. and former US Secretary of Transportation
- Elizabeth Levin, President, Liz Levin & Company and former Board of Directors of MassDOT and the MBTA
- Jolene Molitoris, President of US Railcar, First Woman Director of Ohio Department of Transportation and First Woman Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration.
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2:00pm - 3:00pm  **Passenger Rail Session:**
- **Thea Walsh**, Director of Transportation, Mid Ohio Regional Planning Commission
- **Katie England**, Director of Multimodal Planning & Programs, INDOT

3:00pm - 3:30pm  **Break**

3:30pm - 5:00pm  **Panel Discussion:**
*Funding Infrastructure: How do state Departments of Transportation prioritize infrastructure when dealing with funding constraints?*
- **Brandye Hendrickson**, INDOT Commissioner
- **Randy Blankenhorn**, IDOT Secretary
- **Moderator: Grace Crunican**, General Manager, Bay Area Rapid Transit System (BART) and former Director of the Oregon Department of Transportation

5:15pm - 7:15pm  **WTS Central Region Networking Reception**
Join us for drinks and light hors d’oeuvres in honor of our State DOT Leadership

7:30pm - ?  **Dinner and Drinks - Optional**
If you are interested in additional networking, a group of us are going to go out for food and beverages. All are welcome to join us (pay your own way).

**Saturday, February 20, 2016**

8:00am - 9:00am  **Breakfast and Chapter Presentations**

9:00am - 10:00pm  **Multi-Generational Workforce**
- **Carolyn Goerner**, Clinical Professor of Management, Kelley School of Business, Indiana University

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

10:15am - 12:15pm  **Facilitation and Engagement as a Tool for Change**
- **Susan Harden**, Planning Practice Director, Michael Baker International

12:15 pm  **Program Adjourns**
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