State of Upstate New York Conference: Resiliency, Partnerships and Innovation
Doubletree Hotel - Syracuse, NY – June 8-9, 2011
Agenda
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June 8
10:30 – 11:30  Registration
11:30 - 12:30  Lunch (Harbor Ballroom)
12:30 - 1:45  Opening Plenary (Grand Ballroom)
   Welcome, David Brown, co-Faculty Director, Community and Regional Development Institute, Cornell University
   Ron Seeber, Senior Vice Provost, Cornell University, “Role of Universities and Colleges in Regional Development”
   “The Changing Social, Economic, and Demographic Landscape of Upstate New York – Setting the Stage for Today and Tomorrow”
   Robin Blakely-Armitage, Sr. Extension Associate, Cornell University
   David L. Brown, co-Faculty Director, Community and Regional Development Institute, Cornell University

1:45 - 2:15  Break

2:15 – 3:45  Concurrent Workshops
Agriculture and Food Systems (Michigan/Erie Room)
Presenter: Todd Schmit, Assistant Professor, Applied Economics and Management, Cornell University
Moderator: Michele Ledoux, Executive Director, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Lewis County
Panelists: Bernadette Logozar, Rural & Agricultural Economic Development Specialist, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Franklin County
           Nathan Rudgers, Senior Vice President, Director of Business Development, Farm Credit East
           Amy Tresidder, Oswego County Legislator, 16th District; Member, New York State Association of Counties Blue Ribbon Task Force on the Future of Farming in New York State

Local and Regional Governance (Superior Room)
Presenter: Gerald Benjamin, SUNY Distinguished Professor of Political Science; Director, Center for Research, Regional Education and Outreach
Moderator: Bev Mancuso, Executive Director, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Genesee & Wyoming Counties
Panelists: Kathryn Foster, Director, The University at Buffalo Regional Institute
           Michael Hattery Director, Center for Local Government, College of Community and Public Affairs, Binghamton University
           John C. Traylor, Director of Enterprise Shared Services, New York State Division of the Budget
Community and Energy (Huron/Ontario Room)

Presenter: Antonio Bento, Associate Professor, Applied Economics and Management, Cornell University
Moderator: Ron Bunce, Executive Director, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Oneida County
Panelists: Scott Collins, Energy Coordinator, Rural Development, U. S. Department of Agriculture
Sharon K. Anderson, Environment Program Leader, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Tompkins County
Michael O’Hara, Energy Advisor, City of Hudson

4:00 - 5:30 Concurrent Workshops

Economic Development (Michigan/Erie Room)

Presenter: Susan Christopherson, Professor, Department of City and Regional Planning, Cornell University
Moderator: Beth Claypoole, Executive Director and Agricultural Issues Leader, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Wayne County
Panelists: Linda Dickerson Hartsock, Vice President, Innovation and Technology, Center State Corporation for Economic Opportunity, The Clean Tech Center.
Robert Sullivan, Rust2Green, Utica, New York
David E. Rogers, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Morrisville State College

Health Care (Superior Room)

Presenter: William Streck, President and CEO, Bassett Healthcare Network
Moderator: Margie Keith, Executive Director, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Putnam County
Panelists: Patrick J. Rogers, Executive Director, Institute for Human Services, Inc.
Don Barber, Chair, Tompkins County Council of Governments; Supervisor, Town of Caroline
Will White, Professor, Policy Analysis and Management and Director, Sloan Program in Health Administration, Cornell University

Environment, Land Use and Natural Resources (Huron/Ontario Room)

Presenter: M. Margaret Bryant, Assistant Professor, SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry
Moderator: Peter Landre, Executive Director, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Yates County
Panelists: Paul Beyer, Director of Smart Growth, NYS Department of State
Chris H. Carrick, Energy Program Manager, NYSERDA Energy Smart Communities Coordinator
Susan Riha, Professor, Earth & Atmospheric Sciences, Cornell University and Director of the NYS Water Resources Institute (WRI)

6:00 - 7:00 Reception with Posters

7:00 Dinner (Grand Ballroom)
Helene Dillard, Director, Cornell Cooperative Extension
Nancy Zimpher, Chancellor, State University of New York, “Collaboration and Partnerships for Economic Development”
June 9

7:30 – 8:30 Breakfast (Great Lakes Foyer)

8:45 - 10:15 Concurrent Workshops

Poverty and Income (Huron/Ontario Room)
Presenter: Daniel T. Lichter, Professor, Policy Analysis and Management, Cornell University
Moderator: Andy Fagan, Executive Director, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Tioga County
Panelists: Stuart J. Mitchell, President and CEO, PathStone Corporation
          Gretchen Hanchett, Business & Community Development Director, ACCORD Corporation, ACDSI Director, Crossroads Commerce & Conference Center
          Lea Webb, Binghamton City Council Representative, 4th District

Schools and Youth (Superior Room)
Presenter: John Sipple, Associate Professor, Department of Education, and co-Faculty Director, Community and Regional Development Institute
Moderator: Lisa V. Godlewski, Executive Director, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Albany County
Panelists: Bill Duncombe, Professor, Center for Policy Research, Syracuse University
          Deborah H. Cunningham, Coordinator for Educational Management Services, New York State Education Department
          Melinda Person, Assistant Director of Legislation, New York State United Teachers

Workforce Trends (Michigan/Erie Room)
Presenter: Richard Deitz, Officer & Senior Economist, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
Moderator: Brian Gilchrist, Executive Director, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Washington County
Panelists: Janet Mayo, Research Associate, Office of the State Comptroller, Division of Local Government and School Accountability
          Kimberly M. Townsend, Associate General Counsel & Director, Government Affairs, Welch Allyn
          Frank Caliva, Senior Vice President & Chief Operating Officer, Director of Talent Initiatives, CenterState Corporation for Economic Opportunity

10:15 - 10:45 Break

10:45 - 11:15 Plenary (Grand Ballroom)

Nancy Cantor, Chancellor, Syracuse University, “Building on Upstate’s Assets: Innovation through Collaboration”

11:15 – 11:45 Closing

John Sipple, co-Faculty Director, Community and Regional Development Institute, Cornell University, “Where Do We Go from Here?”