

# NGA SGA Symposiums NORTHEAST GAS ASSOCIATION

# **EMPOWERING** -SUCCESS-

Empowering successful careers for woman in natural gas.

OCT 22 BALTIMORE, MD

This is how



### SGA & NGA present the inaugural Women's Leadership Symposium.

Successful careers are rewarding, help you achieve financial stability, and make a difference in the world around you. Contributing to this definition is having the flexibility to integrate work and life successfully. Your successful career may differ from how others define success, and this symposium celebrates those unique careers women have forged in the natural gas industry.



#### **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

### **Steve Donahue**

**BESTSELLING AUTHOR, FOUNDER & CEO OF STORYGLU** 

The symposium will open with a keynote address by Steve Donahue, best-selling author of Shifting Sands, who will address "Navigating the Shifting Sands of Success." This will be followed by a panel discussion titled "The Evolution of Success— It Is NOT a Destination."

This presentation features themes of how our definition of success changes at different life stages and what it means to succeed in a disrupted world. The metaphor is based on Steve's adventures on the shifting dunes of the Sahara and may include excerpts from his desert journeys. Attendees will learn how to thrive in a changing world using a flexible view of what success might look like, including:

- » Why you need to follow a compass, not a map, on the shifting sands of success.
- » What are career mirages and why do we chase them.
- » How to be more "nomadic" when it comes to career decisions in the gas industry.

#### THE DETAILS

#### **Pricing**

**Early Bird Member** \$395 **Early Bird Non-Member** \$695 After 10/07/24

Member \$595 Non-Member \$895

#### Location

**Baltimore Museum of Art** 10 Art Museum Dr. Baltimore, MD 21218



OCT 22 TUESDAY		
SESSION	TIME	
Registration, Coffee Networking	7:30 AM	8:30 AM
Welcome, Safety, Introductions	8:40 AM	9:00 AM
<b>Keynote</b> — <b>Steve Donahue</b> , best selling author <i>Shifting Sands</i> "Navigating the Shifting Sands of Success"	9:00 AM	10:00 AM
Break	10:00 AM	10:15 AM
Panel moderated by Christie McMullen, Northeast Gas Board of Directors Chair, Elizabethtown Gas President & CEO "The Evolution of Success — It is Not a Destination"  Mercy Kamps, Boardwalk, Senior Vice President, Human Resources, Communications & Sustainability  Caroline Hon, National Grid, Vice President of Regulatory & Pricing  Daphne D'Zurko, Retired, NYSEARCH, Vice President/Executive Director	10:15 AM	11:30 AM
Lunch, Networking, Museum Stroll	11:30 AM	12:45 PM
<b>Industry Keynote by Barbara Clemenhagen,</b> Executive Director, Gulf Coast Power Association "Trailblazing Leadership: Insights and Strategies from a Pioneering Woman in Energy"	1:00 PM	2:00 PM
Panel moderated by Suzanne Ogle, Southern Gas Association, President & CEO "Leadership Challenges Overcome by Women in Non-Traditional Roles" Tiffany Buffington, BHE GT&S, Director of Gas Control Amy Hamilton, Exelon/PECO Energy, Vice President, Gas Operations Julie Porcaro, Eversource Energy, Vice President Gas Systems Operations	2:00 PM	3:15 PM
Closing Remarks	3:15 PM	3:30 PM

Food/ Break





#### **INDUSTRY KEYNOTE**

## Barbara Clemenhagen

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, GULF COAST POWER ASSOCIATION (GCPA)** 

Ms. Clemenhagen will lead an inspiring keynote session "Trailblazing Leadership: Insights & Strategies from a Pioneering Woman in Energy," following her remarkable journey as a trailblazing leader in the energy industry. Drawing from decades of experience, she will share wisdom, lessons learned and strategies for success —especially for women in non-traditional roles. Reflecting on the industry's transformation from the late 80s to today, this session will offer valuable insights on overcoming challenges, embracing innovation and forging your own path to leadership.

Barbara Clemenhagen, based in Austin, Texas, is the Executive Director of the Gulf Coast Power Association. Previously, she served as the Vice President of Market Intelligence at Customized Energy Solutions, where she led a team of market experts in conducting thorough analyses of electricity market outcomes, changes, and rule modifications. Barbara has a wealth of experience in the energy industry, including roles at BC Hydro, the British Columbia Utilities Commission, Sempra Energy, and Topaz Power.

- → **Skills Development** leadership skills defining success in communication, negotiation and strategic thinking
- **→ Empowerment** providing awareness, tools, and inspiration to succeed in a variety of roles in the natural gas industry
- → **Networking** creating opportunities for women to share experiences and build professional relationships across multiple sectors of the industry
- → Continued Support ongoing support and resources for women in the industry after the event





#### **PANEL**

# The Evolution of Success — It is Not a Destination

In this inspiring panel discussion, we will explore the dynamic and evolving concept of success. This session will delve into how the traditional view of success as a fixed destination has transformed into a lifelong journey of growth, learning, and resilience. Our panelists will share personal stories, insights, and strategies on how they've redefined success in their natural gas careers and lives, emphasizing the importance of adaptability, purpose, and continuous self-discovery. Whether you're just starting your journey or looking to pivot, this discussion will empower you to embrace success as an evolving and personal path.





#### **PANEL**

### Leadership Challenges Overcome by Women in Non-Traditional Roles

Dive into the world of natural gas with our pioneering panel of women breaking stereotypes and reshaping this traditionally male-dominated field. Join us for an enlightening discussion as these trailblazers share their journeys, insights, and skills refined in non-traditional roles within the industry.

From field technicians to pipeline engineers, our panelists will discuss how they've thrived in diverse domains. Discover firsthand perspectives on navigating non-traditional paths, breaking barriers, and driving impact. Whether seasoned or new to the industry, this panel promises to inspire, inform, and empower.

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