

about WISE

women in sustainability & energy

The Women in Sustainability and Energy (WISE) series, founded in 2015 by Building Energy Exchange, is an inclusive platform for all people to learn from experienced leaders, to share knowledge, and to advance equity in the workplace.

This series brings together women from diverse fields to discuss cutting-edge policies, technologies, and programs. It provides a community and framework for year-round dialogue, along with robust mentorship and networking opportunities designed to promote equity and support the growth of professionals in sustainability and energy industries.

In over six years, WISE has produced sold-out events, featuring over 60 women leaders, attracting 2,800+ industry professionals, and engaging 500,000+ through social media.

We are delighted to welcome you here for our fourth WISE networking lunch. We look forward to continuing to provide a platform for this community to grow. Thank you for joining us, and we hope you will continue this conversation with your colleagues, friends, and family.

- The BE-Ex Team

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WISE networking lunch

learn more about our table leaders



Christianna Ambo-Jones

Department Manager for Program Design, Con Edison

Christianna has 10+ years experience in utility energy efficiency programs, ensuring Con Edison delivers on the city's clean energy goals and customer experience. She is a founding member of Con Edison's ERG, Blacks United In Leadership and Development. Christianna has an MA in Urban Policy Analysis & Management.



Arielle Bernard

Organics Waste Solutions Manager Waste Management NY

Arielle is a manager at the food waste recycling facility (CORe), in Elizabeth, NJ and Brooklyn, NY. Here, food waste is turned into a slurry that is used to boost the production of renewable energy. Arielle works closely with various organizations to educate people on the work WM is doing to sustainably recycle food waste.



Brooke Forde

Energy Manager, CBRE

Brooke is a Project Manager at CBRE, a global leader in commercial real estate services and investments. With expertise in mechanical engineering, HVAC design and building energy strategies, Brooke has a BSci in Mechanical Engineering from Columbia University, and an MBA in Sustainability from Bard College.



Sarah Gilly

Senior Director, Environ Energy (prev. Gotham 360)

With 8+ years of experience in energy management, Sarah advises clients on all things energy while ensuring compliance with local laws. Sarah is a Certified Energy Manager and Energy Procurement Professional and serves on the Steering Committee for the NY League of Conservation Voter's Emerging Leaders Program.



Runci Ma Senior Mechanical Design Engineer, EN-POWER

With 7+ years' experience in the building energy industry, Runci is an expert in designing and energy modeling central plant upgrades at large facilities. She navigates code requirements along with ASHRAE and SMACNA standards to ensure seamless design and implementation, and reduction of the impact of carbon emissions.



Stephanie MargolisSustainability Manager, New York University

Stephanie is helping NYU achieve its carbon neutrality and sustainability goals. A city planner by trade, she has notable experience working within the energy efficiency field nationally and in New York City. She has a Master of Urban Planning from the University of Pennsylvania and a BA in Public Policy from Hamilton College.



Jully Meriño Carela Program Manager Sustainability & Social Innovation at IBM

Formerly the Director of the Women in Energy Program at Columbia University's Center on Global Energy Policy, Jully is motivated by social impact. She holds BA degrees in Women's Studies and Political Science, an MPA in Environmental Policy & Sustainability Management and an MS in Applied Analytics.



Sarah Salati
Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer
New York Power Authority (NYPA)

Sarah manages wholesale and retail commercial operations at NYPA, and leads NYPA's integrated customer solutions infrastructure implementation, to further NYPA's clean energy goals. She has held a range of positions globally, and is the Executive Sponsor of NYPA's "Women in Power" Employee Resource Group.



upcoming wise events

Ask Me Anything with Environmental Lawyer Gail Suchman November 9, 2022 – 6:00 to 7:00pm

Gail Suchman, leading expert in environmental law and a partner in the Real Estate, Land Use and Environmental Practice Group at Sheppard Mullin, joins BE-Ex for a conversation about her career and insights into the evolving field of environmental law.

RSVP: https://be-exchange.org/wise-ask-me-anything-with-sheppard-mullins-gail-suchman/

Holiday Party

December 14, 2022 - 5:30 to 7:30pm

Save the date! Join the BE-Ex and WISE communities for drinks and celebration at our annual holiday party hosted by the Women in Sustainability & Energy series. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet and network over drinks and appetizers.

RSVP: https://be-exchange.org/wise-holiday-party-2022/

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