Building Energy Exchange

Industry Leadership Council

Leading energy efficiency progress in New York's built environment.

mission

The Industry Leadership council is a select group of green building leaders representing major public, private, and NGO organizations who assist the Building Energy Exchange (BE-Ex) in our mission to accelerate the transition to healthy, comfortable, and energy efficient buildings.

The Council advises our staff on strategic and technical questions related to our work. Members are also invited to attend special events and exclusive opportunities to interface with one another and other key figures in our industry.

commitment & expectations

The Industry Leadership Council provides our organization with direct access to an extensive pool of knowledge, as we make decisions about the overall direction of BE-Ex programs and encounter specific technical questions in our work.

Participation involves a very limited commitment of time or resources, with most communication occurring over email and utilizing quick tools like online surveys. The advice and perspectives provided by the Industry Leadership Council improves BE-Ex's strategic decision making, and ensures the organization is connected to the most current thinking, solutions, and strategies in our rapidly evolving industry.

To support this community of leaders, BE-Ex provides advanced communication, highlighting noteworthy events and relevant programming, as well as a concierge service for ILC ticketing. Special networking sessions, exclusively for the Industry Leadership Council, are organized related to notable BE-Ex programs that feature leading figures in our industry and pressing topics. Sessions may include private sector leaders or high-level policymakers.

Membership in the Industry Leadership Council is limited to members of our board of directors and nominated senior representatives from each of our supporting member organizations. Members of the council are listed prominently on our website and are welcome to identify themselves as such.

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