

*EBC and Sustainable Solutions Lab at UMass Boston
Climate Adaptation Forum*

Law and Governance Meet Climate Adaptation

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The 2018/2019 Climate Adaptation Forums are scheduled for:

- September 28, 2018
- November 30, 2018
- March 1, 2019
- June 7, 2019

Presentations will be posted to the Forum website:

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AGENDA

- 8:00 a.m. Welcome: Daniel K. Moon**, Executive Director
Environmental Business Council of New England, Inc.
- Forum Introduction: Ralph Child**, Forum Chair; Member, Mintz
- 8:15 a.m. Governance and Climate Adaptation: Updating Policies and Governing Institutions in the Face of Climate Change**
- **David W. Cash**, Ph.D., Dean
John W. McCormack Graduate School of Policy and Global Studies
University of Massachusetts Boston
- 8:45 a.m. Resilient Rhody: Rhode Island's First Comprehensive Climate Preparedness Strategy**
- **Janet Coit**, Director, Department of Environmental Management
State of Rhode Island
- 9:05 a.m. Resilient Cambridge – Strategies & Challenges**
- **Iram Farooq**, AICP, LEED-AP Assistant City Manager for Community Development
City of Cambridge, Massachusetts
- 9:25 a.m. Adapting Regulations for the Rising Tide**
- **Barbara K. Landau**, Counsel, Noble, Wickersham & Heart LLP
- 9:45 a.m. Networking Break**
- 10:15 a.m. The Conductor's Baton – Achieving Resiliency through Community Efforts**
- **Representative Kristin Diane Jacobs**, Florida House of Representatives
- 10:40 a.m. Moderated Panel Discussion**
- Moderator: **Ralph Child**, Mintz
- Panel Members:
- **Representative Kristin Jacobs**, Florida House of Representatives
 - **Janet Coit**, Director, Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management
 - **Stephanie Krueel**, Senior Environmental Planner, VHB
 - **Iram Farooq**, Assistant City Manager, City of Cambridge
- 11:40 a.m. Closing Remarks: Ruth Silman**, Chair, EBC Climate Change and Air Committee
Managing Partner – Boston, Nixon Peabody LLP
- 11:45 a.m. Adjourn**

FORUM CHAIR

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Ralph is a member of Mintz's Environmental Group. His practice involves regulatory strategy, advocacy and litigation, with a strong focus on environmental policy and enforcement. Major clients include energy project developers, manufacturers, real estate developers and public agencies concerning air, waste, contaminated site and water pollution issues.

Chambers USA 'America's Leading Business Lawyers' identifies Ralph among the leading environmental lawyers in Boston. He is a Fellow within the American College of Environmental Lawyers.

From 1996 to 1999, Ralph served as General Counsel to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, the principal environmental regulatory agency in Massachusetts with over 50 regulatory programs.

Ralph serves on the Board of Directors of the Environmental Business Council of New England. Ralph has chaired the Boston Bar Association's Environmental Law Section, and frequently speaks on environmental issues at continuing legal education seminars.

Ralph is admitted to practice in Massachusetts. He received his B.A. from Dartmouth College (1972), held a University of Massachusetts legislative fellowship at the Massachusetts legislature (1976), and earned his J.D. from Harvard Law School (1977), where he was an editor of the Harvard Law Review. He also was a Luce Scholar, providing counsel on legal reform efforts in Indonesia.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Representative Kristin Diane Jacobs

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Kristin Jacobs is the Executive Director of Resiliency Florida. A well-recognized and highly-regarded voice in the field of resiliency, water and climate change policy, Kristin is also a member of the Florida House of Representatives, District 96. Prior to her election to the House in 2014, Kristin served 16 years as a Broward County Commissioner and two terms as County Mayor.

Kristin was the visionary leading the creation of the Southeast Florida Climate Change Compact uniting Broward, Miami-Dade, Palm Beach and Monroe counties and 109 cities behind a unified regional climate action plan. Now entering its 10th year, the Compact has become the national and international model of bi-partisan collaboration. She also created the Broward Leaders Water Academy, a program specifically designed to educate elected officials on water policy. Since inception, the Academy has graduated five generations of mayors and commissioners representing every one of Broward's 31 cities.

Kristin's work has reached beyond Florida influencing national policy. Kristin has twice been invited to testify before Congress on the Clean Water Act and Climate Change issues. In 2014, she was the only elected official in the United States invited to participate in the White House unveiling of the National Climate Assessment Third Update, which featured her work in Southeast Florida.

In 2011, Kristin was appointed by the President of the United States to chair the White House National Ocean Council's Governance Coordinating Committee, which advised the President on ocean policy. And in 2013, Kristin was again tapped by the White House to serve on the President's task force on Climate Preparedness and Resilience.

As a member House, Jacobs has continued her advocacy for building a more resilient Florida and has sponsored and passed significant changes to state law. These changes include an extreme weather events law creating new multi-agency cooperation and resiliency planning framework plus the establishment of a marine conservation area extending the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary from the Dry Tortugas to the St. Lucie Inlet. She also advocated for and helped create a new State entity known as the Florida Resilient Coastlines Program within the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

Now in her sophomore term, Kristin serves as Democratic Ranking Member on both the Natural Resources and Public Lands Subcommittee and the Agriculture and Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee and was also appointed by the Speaker of the House to serve on his Select Committee on Hurricane Preparedness and Response following Hurricane Irma.

SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

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David W. Cash is the Dean of the John W. McCormack Graduate School of Policy and Global Studies at UMass Boston and a founding Dean of the Sustainable Solutions Lab. He has spent his career trying to understand and better harness knowledge to solve pressing policy challenges. Spending the past decade in Massachusetts state government in catalytic roles, Cash helped to transform the commonwealth's energy and environmental policy and regulatory landscape. His job history includes being a commissioner at both the Department of Environmental Protection and Department of Public Utilities, and Undersecretary of Policy at the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs. In these roles, he helped develop and implement nation-leading science-based environmental, climate, and clean energy programs; statewide climate adaptation planning; innovative renewable energy and grid modernization efforts and the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative—the nation's first CO2 cap-and-trade program. He earned a PhD in public policy from Harvard University, concentrating in environment and natural resources. He also completed an MAT in science education from Lewis & Clark College and a BS in biology from Yale.

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Janet Coit is Director of the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RIDEM), a position she has held since 2011. Coit serves as chair of the State's Executive Climate Change Coordinating Council and the Rhode Island Seafood Marketing Collaborative. Prior to coming to RIDEM, she worked for ten years at The Nature Conservancy as Director of the Rhode Island Chapter. Before that, Coit served as counsel to the U.S. Senate Committee on the Environment and Public Works. Coit's background also includes working for three New England Senators and stints at the Department of the Interior and the Department of Justice. Coit is dedicated to protecting the quality of the environment and the natural systems critical to the health, safety and well-being of Rhode Islanders as she leads the RIDEM. She serves on the board of the Boy Scouts of America's Narragansett Council. A graduate of Dartmouth College, Coit holds a J.D. from Stanford Law School, where she was president of the Environmental Law Society. She is married with two children.

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Iram Farooq currently serves as Assistant City Manager for Community Development for the City of Cambridge. In this role she oversees the full spectrum of planning functions for the City: land use, urban design, environmental and transportation planning, housing and economic development. She leads a department of over fifty professionals to shape the urban environment in established neighborhoods and evolving mixed-use districts to ensure a high quality of life, social diversity, and economic and environmental sustainability. With expertise in land use planning, urban design, and sustainability planning, she has managed Cambridge's multidisciplinary long-range planning projects in growth areas such as Kendall Square and emerging districts such as North Point and Alewife, chaired the Cambridge Green Building/Zoning Task Force, and co-chaired the Cambridge Getting to Net Zero Task Force.

Iram was an Aga Khan scholar at the Harvard Graduate School of Design and holds degrees in architecture and landscape architecture/land planning. She is a frequent speaker, studio reviewer at local universities including MIT, Tufts and Harvard; and has served on the boards of the Massachusetts chapters of American Planning Association and the US Green Building Council (USGBC), USGBC's Education Steering Committee and Greenbuild International Conference/Expo Program Committee.

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Stephanie joined VHB in 2014 as an environmental planner with prior experience as a conservation agent, floodplain manager, community planner, and zoning reviewer. She specializes in coastal development with a focus on adaptation to sea level rise. Stephanie has 14 years of experience in the private, public and non-profit sectors, and regularly coordinates with institutions and organizations such as UMass Boston, NAIOP, MassDEP, and the City of Boston on climate-related research and policy issues.

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