



Call for Speakers

10th Annual Food Recovery Forum & 13th Annual Organics Recycling Conference

Conference and Events: May 5-8, 2025 | Exhibits: May 6-8, 2025 | Las Vegas Convention Center, Las Vegas, NV

Become a speaker at the Food Recovery Forum or the Organics Recycling Conference at WasteExpo.

The Food Recovery Forum focuses on solutions for food loss & waste throughout the supply chain. In its 10th year, the Food Recovery Forum continues to highlight the work and collaboration of nonprofit, governmental, academic, private businesses, and charitable organizations that are involved in developing solutions for reducing food waste and recovering edible food to address food insecurity.

The Organics Recycling Conference focuses on treatment and recovery of food scraps and other organics for beneficial use including biogas for renewable energy, biofuels, GHG reduction, and compost for healthy soils and food production.

Prospective Speakers are invited to submit abstracts. General topics of interest include:

Food Recovery Forum: Solutions & BMP's for food waste & wasted food prevention, reduction, rescue, and recovery | Funding & infrastructure development | Achieving 50% reduction of food waste by 2030 | Technologies, innovations, and business models

Organics Recycling & Management: Technologies, diversion, collection | Infrastructure development, financing | Business models | BMP's for processing, process management, odor control | Renewable energy | Zero waste

Detailed topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

Food Recovery Forum

- Food waste prevention and reduction – programs, policies, solutions
- Food Rescue – Best management practices, model programs
- Using Technology and data to reduce food waste and loss and increase food rescue and recovery
- Government and business policies and programs for reducing food waste and loss | increasing donation
- Achieving 50% reduction of food waste by 2030
- Food residuals diversion: source separation, collection, processing, case studies, BMP's
- Recovery of food waste from commercial, institutional, and residential sources
- Food waste recovery from event venues, e.g., stadiums, sports, concerts, convention centers
- Strategies and policies for increasing diversion of food waste & other organics
- Mitigating climate change
- Technologies & equipment for processing food scraps
- Developing food waste and organics recycling programs – strategies, innovations, case studies
- Food waste and organics collection: methods, vehicles, containers, frequency, case studies
- Circular Economy in food waste and food production
- Building food waste rescue infrastructure | Financing & funding | Business models
- Developing a Sustainable food system

Organics Recycling & Management

- Anaerobic Digestion systems and technologies, case studies, BMP's, odor control
- Composting systems and technologies, odor control, process management, BMP's
- Integrating AD, Composting & other technologies
- MBT & other organics Conversion technologies
- Technology evaluation and selection
- Business models & financing organics recovery facilities
- Regulations & issues for siting, permitting and operating organics recovery facilities
- Infrastructure development, meeting capacity needs
- Developing organics recycling & food scrap recovery programs – municipal, commercial, institutional...
- Organics collection & processing - BMP's, model programs, equipment
- Renewable energy from organics
- Zero waste strategies, policies, & programs
- Biogas production and markets | Gas upgrading
Digestate processing, quality and uses
- GHG reduction and mitigating climate change
- Compost benefits | Quality Criteria
- Compostable plastics & packaging
- Cannabis Composting, residuals management, compost production for cannabis growers

Benefits of Speaking at WasteExpo

Complimentary registration | Inclusion of your presentation & access to the Video Library of the Conference Program
Recognition among your colleagues | Networking with 14,000 professionals and more than 600 exhibitors from every sector of the industry.

Abstract Submission Guidelines

Abstract length – Maximum 150 words (item 2)

1. Include: Title of presentation, author name(s), affiliation(s), address, e-mail, cell phone
2. Content: Keys points that will be addressed and a brief list of “what attendees will learn”
3. Brief bio of author/speaker

Abstract Due Date: Abstracts are due **Thursday, October 10, 2024**

Submission Requirements: E-mail abstracts to Dr. Stuart Buckner at stubuckner.scb@gmail.com

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