



CELF Renewable Energy Symposium Learning with Leaders Bios

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Scarsdale High School

Rosi Kerr comes to Juice from the environmental sector. Her work in the energy space began with community-based, distributed electricity generation projects. Before joining Juice as an Energy Advisor, Rosi founded a company to transform fish offal from processing plants into environmentally friendly, low emissions fuel to power diesel electricity generators in remote Alaskan communities. Rosi has worked extensively on community development projects, and in environmental education, communication and outreach. She specializes in developing and implementing market-driven, creative solutions to environmental problems.

Ms. Kerr is a graduate of Dartmouth College with a B.A. in English Literature and Environmental Biology. She has a Master's Degree in Environmental Science from the Yale University School of Forestry and Environmental Studies.

Jonathan Koch, Founder and Managing Director, US Renewables Group - New York (USRG) is focused on the biofuels sector including investments in upstream, midstream and refining assets for USRG. In addition, Mr. Koch has worked in the biomass power field on behalf of USRG.

Mr. Koch began his career in 1995 in the energy and environmental field with Booz, Allen & Hamilton. Mr. Koch worked on the restructuring of Mobil Oil in 1996-1997, led integration teams during the merger of the Marketing & Refining assets of Shell, Star and Texaco 1997-1998, and valued ethanol and feed businesses as part of a multi-national acquisition plan for a life sciences company. In addition to his strategic consulting experience, Mr. Koch worked as a consultant with Booz, Allen to support the EPA's Superfund program, Office of Air Administration and Office of Drinking Water conducting program evaluation and supporting rule making actions.

Mr. Koch joined GE Power System's (GEPS, now GE Energy) in 1998 and worked on strategic initiatives in the small power generation field and strategic technology initiatives. Mr. Koch co-led the development of the e-Business strategy for GEPS and completed GE's six sigma training program.

In 2000, Mr. Koch founded Sundial, an online provisioning system for telecommunications and utilities companies to sell wireless, long distance, local and electricity services over the Internet. In 2003, Mr. Koch was an early investor and COO of a Kleiner, Perkins funded start up, Visible Path, which is an enterprise software company.

Mr. Koch holds a BA from Tufts University and a joint MBA and MS in Resource Policy from the University of Michigan. Mr. Koch co-authored two publications in the field of Life Cycle Design & Analysis.

Robert Preston, Portfolio Manager with Merrill Lynch Global Private Client Group, has over 30 years of experience in finance, energy research and renewable energy. Prior to joining Merrill Lynch, he has held senior positions with other large financial firms (Paine Webber, L.F. Rothschild, Union Bank of California and Nomura), most recently acting as President of AXA Investment Managers New York. He is also an acting board member with the Northeast Sustainable Energy Association (Chair of the By-Laws Committee), Darragh Company, BusinessWeek Energy Series and the Dover Land Trust. Currently he manages publicly traded portfolios benchmarked to a balanced index, the Standard & Poors 500 Index and portfolios benchmarked to an Energy-only Index. His core equity approach, primarily based on his own original energy research, has outperformed the S&P 500 over the last ten years. He is a frequent contributor to numerous on-line publications on energy issues. He also founded Craigmillar LLC in 2001, a fund focused on energy investments and, in the early 1980s, American Solar Design, Inc., a California company designing, installing and maintaining solar thermal micro-utilities.

Mr. Preston received a BA degree in Political Science and Economics from Tulane University and an MBA from the University of Edinburgh, Scotland.