



6th Annual Energy and Construction Best Practices Summit

Smarter Grid Innovations: 2011



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6th Annual Energy and Construction Best Practices Summit includes National Experts

More than 250 industry, labor, education, workforce and economic development leaders will learn, network and share in the future of energy technology. This year's annual summit will feature one of the most exciting lineups of speakers and panelists June 23 and 24 at the Regional Education and Training Center at Satsop Campus in Elma, Wash.

Seattle City Light apprentices begin the summit with a flag raising ceremony. Members of the IBEW Local 77 will climb a utility pole to hang a U.S. flag which was donated by Senator Maria Cantwell.

The first day will include industry and labor trends and best practices with keynote speaker Roger Woodworth, Vice President and Chief Strategy Officer at Avista of Spokane. Woodworth will present *A new era for energy: Are you ready?*

The day will continue with presentations about smart grid programs and microgrid innovations. It will end with a crab feed, wine tasting and an auction to raise funds for scholarships.

The second day will include discussions about workforce development, education, and pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship programs. Panelists will discuss local and national trends within the workforce.

Keynote speakers from the National Corporation for a Skilled Workforce will discuss *National Lessons Learned from Energy Economy Initiatives and Creating a National Competency-based Qualifications Framework*. CSW shares big ideas for job creation. Its mission is to be a catalyst for nationwide transformative change in education, economic and workforce development using research and action.

Though the sixth annual Energy and Construction Best Practices Summit is free, registration is required and is located online at <http://cleanenergyexcellence.org/summit-2011>. Both days begin at 8 a.m. and adjourn during afternoon hours.