



Sunday, October 6

12:00PM	Exhibitor Set-up Begins	Exhibit Hall
12:00PM	Registration Desk Opens <i>Stop by and pick up your nametag and giveaways. Nametags are required for entry into all conference sessions and events.</i>	Hallway Outside Glimmer Ballroom
4:00PM – 5:00PM	Opening Session: State of the Industry <i>John Keppler, President and CEO of Enviva, will provide his annual State of the Industry Update to kick off USIPA's 2019 Conference.</i> <i>Following John's presentation, hear from Nigel Adams, UK Minister for Culture and MP for Selby and Ainsty, on trans-Atlantic pellet trade and the important role biomass plays in decarbonisation across the UK and Europe.</i> <i>Moderated Q&A with John and Nigel will follow.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderator – Seth Ginther, Executive Director, USIPA • Opening Video from Senator Collins • John Keppler, President and CEO, Enviva • Nigel Adams, UK Minister for Culture and MP for Selby and Ainsty 	Conference Hall
5:00PM – 7:00PM	Opening Reception <i>Join over 300 industry leaders in the exhibit hall and out on the terrace for the best networking reception in the business! Enjoy Latin-inspired cocktails, music, and hors d'oeuvres, all set against a backdrop of stunning ocean views.</i>	Glimmer Terrace

Monday, October 7

8:00AM – 9:00AM	Networking Breakfast <i>Enjoy a hot buffet breakfast out on the terrace.</i>	Glimmer Terrace
9:00AM – 9:10AM	Welcome Remarks	Conference Hall



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Seth Ginther, Executive Director, USIPA</i> 	
9:10AM – 9:30AM	<p>Special Address from USDA: Importance of Forest Products Exports for US Global Trade</p> <p><i>Join us for a special address from Daniel Whitley, USDA Foreign Agriculture Service Associate Administrator and advisor to the presidential administration on trade policy issues affecting US agriculture exports.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Daniel Whitley, Foreign Agriculture Service Associate Administrator, US Department of Agriculture</i> 	Conference Hall
9:30AM – 10:30AM	<p>Power Generators Panel</p> <p><i>Don't miss our annual power generators panel. Hear from the major players in the biomass market on market trends, developments, and future goals of the industry.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Moderator – Thomas Meth, Executive VP Sales and Marketing, Enviva</i> • <i>Soren Alsing, Head of Fuel, Orsted</i> • <i>Martin deWolff, Head of Biofuel Trading, RWE Supply & Trading</i> • <i>Christian Joore, Biomass Trader, Vattenfall</i> • <i>Fabien Mehu, Head of Biomass Trading, Engie</i> • <i>Rick Taylor, Head of Fuel, Drax Power</i> 	Conference Hall
10:30AM – 11:00AM	Networking Break	Exhibit Hall
11:00AM – 1:00PM European Markets and Policy Chair: John Bingham		
11:00AM – 11:45AM	<p>European Market Overview</p> <p><i>John Bingham, pre-eminent economist and biomass market expert, will provide an overview of predicted market demand for wood pellets across Europe.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>John Bingham, Director, Hawkins Wright</i> 	Conference Hall
11:45AM – 11:55AM	<p>EEX Bioenergy Initiatives</p> <p><i>The European Energy Exchange (EEX) announced its first trade in wood pellets last year. Hear more about</i></p>	Conference Hall



	<p><i>how biomass fits into EEX's environmental portfolio and their work to develop a robust and dynamic biomass market.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Robert Seehawer, Senior Business Developer, European Energy Exchange (EEX)</i> 	
11:55AM – 12:45PM	<p>European Trade Panel</p> <p><i>Don't miss our annual traders panel, discussing developments across Europe in the bioenergy sector.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Moderator – John Bingham, Director, Hawkins Wright</i> • <i>Tiago Andrade, Director, Wood Pellet Services</i> • <i>Simon Christensen, Partner, CM Biomass</i> • <i>Brodie Govan, Biomass Broker, Voyage Power</i> • <i>Henry Pease, Biofuels Trader, RWE Supply & Trading</i> • <i>Robert Seehawer, Senior Business Developer, European Energy Exchange (EEX)</i> 	Conference Hall
12:45PM – 1:00PM	<p>Biomass Carbon Capture, Use and Storage: The Key to a Net-Zero Carbon Future</p> <p><i>Matt's presentation will provide an update on Drax's BECCS pilot program and discuss how carbon capture will support the UK's commitment to net-zero by 2050.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Matt Willey, External Affairs Director, Drax</i> 	Conference Hall
1:00PM – 2:00PM	<p>Networking Lunch</p> <p><i>Enjoy a full, hot lunch while exploring the exhibit hall.</i></p>	Exhibit Hall and Glimmer Terrace
2:00PM – 2:30PM	<p>Safety Session: Advancing Isothermal Calorimetry As A Tool to Examine Self-heating of Wood Pellets</p> <p><i>Self-heating of wood pellets remains an industry challenge. This presentation will detail the work done by LignoTech USA to better understand the chemistry of wood pellet self-heating and means for mitigating it, demonstrating that isothermal calorimetry can be utilized as a robust technique for analyzing reactivity of woody materials.</i></p>	Conference Hall



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Robert Narron, PhD, Research Scientist, LignoTech USA</i> 	
2:30PM – 3:00PM	<p>Safety Session: Creating A Safer Environment for Pellet Plant Dryer Islands</p> <p><i>This presentation will provide an overview of the potential hazards associated with operating dryers and a review of current hazard mitigation features and potential future enhancements that could make a difference.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Andrew Johnson, Vice President, TSI</i> 	Conference
3:00PM – 5:30PM Asian Markets and Policy Chair: Tiago Andrade		
3:00PM – 3:30PM	<p>Asian Pellet Market Overview</p> <p><i>Dr. Bill Strauss, leading market expert on wood pellet demand and trade flows will provide an outlook on biomass demand across Japan, South Korea, and Southeast Asia.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Dr. Bill Strauss, President, FutureMetrics</i> 	Conference Hall
3:30PM – 3:50PM	<p>Korean Market Potential for North American Biomass Imports</p> <p><i>Take a deep-dive on Korean market activity and the latest policy developments and hear more on Korean potential to source sustainable biomass from North America.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Marco Kim, Global Cooperation Advisor, Korea Forest Biomass Energy Association</i> 	Conference Hall
3:50PM – 4:15PM	<p>Financing Biomass and Renewables Projects for Japanese Markets</p> <p><i>Aki will provide an overview of how renewables projects are financed in Japan, including Japan's IPP model, typical financing structures, and key considerations for investors.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Aki Mori, CFO, Renova</i> 	Conference Hall



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4:15PM – 5:30PM	<p>Asian Trading and Logistics Panel</p> <p><i>This panel discussion will feature traders, exporters, and importers sharing their expert views on trade flows from North America to Asia and what developments we can expect to see as the Asian market for wood pellets grows.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Moderator - Yoshi Kusano, Executive Advisor & General Manager, Fuel Procurement, Biomass Energy, Renova</i> • <i>Fumie Akiyama, Biomass Team, Sumitomo Corporation</i> • <i>Tiago Andrade, Director, Wood Pellet Services</i> • <i>Shuji Aoki, Manager, NYK Bulk & Projects Carriers</i> • <i>Fred Miyata, General Manager, Business Development Asia-Pacific, Enviva</i> • <i>Michael Paulsen, General Manager, Ultrabulk</i> • <i>Steve Rzehak, Partner, MIDSHIP Group</i> 	Conference Hall
5:30PM – 7:30PM	Evening Networking Reception	Exhibit Hall and Glimmer Terrace

Tuesday, October 8

8:00AM – 9:00AM	<p>Networking Breakfast</p> <p><i>Enjoy a hot buffet breakfast out on the terrace.</i></p>	Glimmer Terrace
8:00AM – 8:30AM	USIPA Membership Meeting	Conference Hall
9:00AM – 9:20AM	<p>Sector Communications Update</p> <p><i>Communicating our industry story has never been more important. Learn more about the steps USIPA and the industry have undertaken to enhance our communications efforts.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Seth Ginther, Executive Director, USIPA</i> • <i>Taylor Fitts, VP of Communications, USIPA</i> • <i>Tim Punke, Monument Advocacy</i> 	Conference Hall
9:20AM – 10:00AM	<p>Re-Imagine. Re-Think. Re-Connect. Re-Positioning the #forestproud Sector.</p> <p><i>Will Novy-Hildesley, Executive Director of the North American Forest Partnership, will present on the</i></p>	Conference Hall



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	<p><i>importance of effectively communicating our forest sustainability story, and the work #forestproud has done across forestry sectors.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Will Novy-Hildesley, Executive Director, North American Forest Partnership</i> 	
10:00AM – 11:00AM	<p>Producers Panel</p> <p><i>Don't miss the annual producers panel featuring major exporters of wood pellets from the US providing their perspective on current trends and what the next 12-18 months hold.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Moderator - Seth Ginther, Executive Director, USIPA</i> • <i>Harold Arnold, President, Fram Renewable Fuels</i> • <i>Thomas Meth, Executive VP Sales and Marketing, Enviva</i> • <i>Barry Parrish, Director of Sustainability and Fiber Procurement, Georgia Biomass</i> • <i>Richard Peberdy, Vice President of Sustainability, Drax Biomass</i> • <i>Tom Reilley, Chairman, Highland Pellets</i> • <i>Mike Williams, Project Director, Business Development, The Westervelt Company</i> 	Conference Hall
<p>11:00AM – 1:00PM Sustainability & Carbon Chair: Dr. Robert Malmshemer</p>		
11:00AM – 11:15AM	<p>Recent Developments with the Sustainable Biomass Program</p> <p><i>Take a look at SBP's new, multi-stakeholder governance system and hear what's next for the program in 2020 and beyond.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Carsten Huljus, CEO, Sustainable Biomass Program</i> 	Conference Hall
11:15AM – 11:30AM	<p>Enviva Responsible Sourcing Policy</p> <p><i>In Summer 2019, Enviva unveiled a new responsible sourcing policy. Join Enviva's Chief Sustainability Officer for an in-depth look at this policy, and what is driving enhanced sustainability reporting and visibility within the industry.</i></p>	Conference Hall



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Jennifer Jenkins, Chief Sustainability Officer, Enviva</i> 	
11:30AM – 1:00PM	<p>Biomass Sustainability Tools – Collaborating and Communicating on Sustainability</p> <p><i>Join academics and researchers for an update on the latest sustainability research and a panel discussion on available tools to communicate and demonstrate biomass sustainability, and improve supply chain transparency.</i></p> <p><i>10 Min Presentations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Dr. Puneet Dwivedi, Professor, School of Forestry and National Resources, University of Georgia</i> • <i>Blake Hudson, JD, Professor, Law and Environmental Studies, University of Houston</i> • <i>Keith Kline, PhD, Senior Researcher, Climate Change Science Institute and Center for Bioenergy Sustainability, Oak Ridge National Lab</i> • <i>Dr. Bob Malmsheimer, Professor, College of Environmental Science and Forestry, State University of New York</i> <p><i>Discussion:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Moderator - Elizabeth Woodworth, Founder and Principal, Wood & Co.</i> • <i>Dr. Puneet Dwivedi, Professor, School of Forestry and National Resources, University of Georgia</i> • <i>Blake Hudson, A.L. O’Quinn Chair and Professor of Law, University of Houston</i> • <i>Keith Kline, PhD, Senior Researcher, Climate Change Science Institute and Center for Bioenergy Sustainability, Oak Ridge National Lab</i> • <i>Dr. Bob Malmsheimer, Professor, College of Environmental Science and Forestry, State University of New York</i> 	Conference Hall
1:00PM	Conference Adjourns, Boxed Lunches Available	Exhibit Hall