

# Guest Presenters



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## Andrew Busch

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Futurist, [AndrewBusch.com](http://AndrewBusch.com)

Andrew Busch is the former Chief Market Intelligence Officer for the U.S. government and economic futurist at [AndrewBusch.com](http://AndrewBusch.com). For the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC), he was charged with improving and enhancing the government's understanding of the markets and the economy. His job was to take all the news, information and data on the economy and markets, filter it into condensed, easily understood research, then communicate it to the government and public. Busch provided economic and market briefings to the White House, U.S. House and Senate, the SEC, the Federal Reserve Board and the U.S. Treasury staff on a wide range of issues, including interest rates, inflation, China's influence on trade, and the impact of technology on the economy. Prior to joining the CFTC, Busch was CEO and founder of a boutique financial markets and policy research firm, Bering Productions Inc. (BPI). Before BPI, he was the Global Currency and Public Policy Strategist for Bank of Montreal in Chicago. He is author of the book **World Event Trading**, covering large crises, like infectious disease outbreaks and war, and their impact on the economy and markets. Today, he's a consultant and keynote speaker with a wide range of clients in industries including chemicals, financial services, energy, real estate, manufacturing, construction and agriculture.



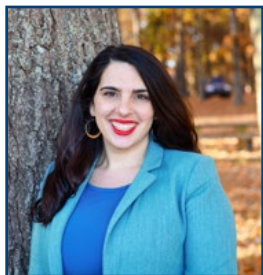
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## Brynn Gallahue

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Program Consultant, Milepost

Brynn Gallahue is a consultant at Milepost, with experience in and a passion for education. Prior to joining Milepost, she taught first grade and focused on making her classroom a culturally responsive and joyful place to learn. With a B.A. in Psychology from the University of Notre Dame, an M.S. in Education from Johns Hopkins University, and a M.A. in Social Innovation from the University of San Diego (in progress), Brynn provides a wealth of expertise. In her work with clients, Brynn loves finding creative solutions to problems through quick thinking.



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## Samantha Hart

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Director of Development and Innovation, Milepost

As Milepost's Director of Development and Innovation, Samantha Hart brings her passion for teamwork and problem-solving to the forefront of client engagement and strategic innovation. From her wealth of diverse experiences with small businesses, education, the non-profit sector, and in the concrete industry, Samantha understands the unique challenges of growing an idea into an initiative with real-world impact. With an undergraduate degree in Concrete Industry Management and a Master of Science in Sustainability, she operates as a residential systems expert, and uses that knowledge with clients to make meaningful connections and empathize with the needs of others.

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## Daryl Ingram

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Senior Vice President & Chief External Officer, Electric Cities of Georgia

Daryl Ingram brings more than 35 years of comprehensive and multi-level experience with public power utilities. Prior to his work with ECG and MEAG Power, Daryl served as the Electric Director for the City of Cartersville. While at the city he established the electric utility's first key account program and was responsible for developing Cartersville's business plan for the construction, operation and oversight of the city's new fiber optic enterprise. He joined the MEAG Power team in 1999 to start MEAG's first Major Accounts Service. He has managed the Economic and Community Development Departments for MEAG Power and currently ECG since 2001. Daryl and his team work hand-in-hand with the State of Georgia Department of Economic Development and closely with ECG Communities to provide consultation and recommendations on economic development best practices.



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## Dr. Roger Pielke

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Professor of Environmental Studies, University of Colorado Boulder

Roger Pielke, Jr., is a professor of environmental studies at the University of Colorado Boulder. He teaches and writes on a diverse range of policy and governance issues related to science, technology, environment, energy, climate, innovation and sports. Most recently, Dr. Pielke was on sabbatical at the University of Oslo, where he worked to help the university start a pandemic research center. He is also an Honorary Professor at University College London, awarded in 2022, and has been a Distinguished Fellow of the Institute of Energy Economics, Japan, since 2016. From 2019 he has served as a science and economics adviser to Environmental Progress, and was a Fellow of the Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences from 2001 to 2016, among other fellowships. Before joining the faculty of the University of Colorado, from 1993 to 2001 he was a Scientist at the National Center for Atmospheric Research. Dr. Pielke holds degrees in mathematics, public policy and political science, all from the University of Colorado Boulder. Among other awards and recognition, in 2006, he received the Eduard Brückner Prize in Munich for outstanding achievement in interdisciplinary climate research. The author of numerous books, his most recent is **The Rightful Place of Science: Disasters and Climate Change** (2nd edition, 2018, Consortium for Science, Policy & Outcomes).

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## Robert Talley

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President, Talley & Associates, Inc.

Robert Talley is president of Talley & Associates, Inc., a consulting firm that provides strategic and political consulting, association advisory consulting, as well as regulatory and legislative lobbying services to clients with issues before the legislative or executive branches of government. Talley's primary areas of expertise include the energy and environmental sectors. As a noted leader in his field, he is a regular speaker and commentator for trade associations, trade publications, has been a guest commentator on national news programs and has presented to the United Nations. Prior to starting Talley & Associates, he was a founding partner in TMG, a firm specializing in political consulting and merchant banking with offices in Washington, D.C., and Charlotte. Before that, Talley worked on Capitol Hill for a member of Congress from Charlotte. Talley is a graduate of The George Washington University School of Business and Public Management, where he received an MBA and was invited into the Beta Gamma Sigma Honor Society. He received his undergraduate degree in Environmental Science from the University of Virginia.



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## Jacob Williams

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General Manager and CEO, Florida Municipal Power Agency

Jacob Williams is General Manager and CEO of Florida Municipal Power Agency (FMPA), a position he has held since September 2016. Williams has 38 years of experience in the electric utility industry, including both public power and investor-owned utilities. Prior to joining FMPA, Williams served as vice president, Global Energy Analytics, at Peabody Energy in St. Louis. He also was previously with Alliant Energy (formerly Wisconsin Power & Light). Throughout his career, Williams has served in various positions, including energy marketing, trading, integrated resource planning and generation planning. Williams holds a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and a master's degree in business from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.