**Objective:** Building the roadmap that lays the foundation for the creation of an inclusive FEW Nexus Community of science, composed of engineers, scientists, and stakeholders from industry and public sector and that will foster science and engineering cooperation in the FEW domains.

**January 25:** Check in at Hilton Hotel

**Day 1: January 26 (Ideas Day)**

8:00 Registration and coffee

*Masters of Ceremonies:*  
*Peter Saundry, NCSE & John Hopkins University, and J. Carl Ganter* Circle of Blue

9:00 Welcome Notes

*Glen A. Laine*, VPR, Texas A&M University  
*Dimitris Lagoudas*, Sr. Assoc. Dean for Research, College of Engineering  
*Craig Nessler*, Director, Texas A&M AgriLife Research  
*JoAnn Lighty*, NSF - CBET

9:15 Workshop Objectives *Rabi Mohtar*, Texas A&M WEF Nexus Initiative

9:30 Opportunities and Challenges in the FEW Nexus - *JoAnn Lighty*, NSF-CBET

10:15 Burst Session of 10 BIG IDEAS

(Questions posted on portal to be discussed in breakout session)

1. Data and modeling *Bernie Engel*, Purdue  
2. Governance, policy, and financing *Kent Portney*, Bush School, Texas A&M  
3. Governing resources in future cities *Josh Sperling*, NREL  
4. Tradeoffs and decision support tools *Suzanne Pierce*, UT Austin  
5. Energy for water *Enid J. Sullivan-Graham*, NM State  
6. Water for food *Elsa Murano*, Borlaug Institute, Texas A&M  
7. Water for energy production *Ashlyn Stillwell*, U IL  
8. Food processing and waste *Stephen Searcy*, Texas A&M  
9. Soil – Food – Climate Nexus *Rattan Lal*, Ohio State  
10. Engagement and outreach: Community Building *Jon Padgham*, futureearth

12:00 Networking Lunch

1:00 Breakout session #1: **Exploring the FEW System**

1. FEW Research Facilitator, *Noel Bakhtian*, former Senior Policy Advisor, White House Office of Science & Technology Policy  
2. FEW Education Facilitator, *Adel Shirmohammadi*, U Maryland  
3. FEW Practice: applied research, industry, policy; Facilitator, *Jamal Yagoobi*, Worcester Poly  
4. FEW Community Building Facilitator, *Molly Jahn*, UWI

**Questions:**

1. Define target FEW system(s)  
2. What are the key challenges  
3. What are the solutions (immediate possibilities to leverage opportunities)  
4. What are the key potential impacts (social, environmental, economic)  
5. What resources are needed for implementation

3:00 Summary Panel from moderators of breakouts and Q/A

4:00 Goals for tomorrow and Closing (Rabi Mohtar)

**Evening Networking Reception immediately following**, hosted by Texas A&M WEF Nexus Initiative. Welcome: *Martin Scholtz*, Executive Associate VPR, Texas A&M

Day 2: January 27 (Action Day)

Masters of Ceremonies

*Jack Baldauf, Geosciences, Texas A&M and J. Carl Ganter, Circle of Blue*

9:00 Hotspot – Nexus Live – *J. Carl Ganter, Circle of Blue*

9:30 Science and Policy Panel with Q/A


**Kickoff Questions:**

1. How do you characterize the state of FEW science and policy interaction nationally?
2. What steps should be taken to improve the science base decisions related to FEW resources?
3. What policy changes can improve the science and science – policy coherence in FEW resources?

10:30 Industry and Technology Panel with Q/A

Moderator: *Michel Boufadel, NJIT*. Panelists: *Walid Saad, VA Tech, Andrea Putman, SoAR, Gerrit Hoogenboom, UFL*

**Kickoff Questions:**

1. Do we have the right incentives for innovations in the FEW system?
2. What unique technological challenges / opportunities that FEW system exhibits?
3. What are the infrastructure and human capacity needed for fostering innovations in the FEW system.

11:30 – 12:00 Breakout assignments

12:00 Networking lunch

1:00 **Breakout session #2 Moving Forward: the Road map**

- Building on the white papers *Ali Fares, PVAM*
- Community of Science: RCN & e-portal *Katrina Bennett, LANL*
- INFEWS *Lucy M Camacho*, Texas A&M-Kingsville
- Belmont Forum *Rick Lawford*, Futurearth

**Sessions Deliverables:**

1. Establish targets and priorities for the theme
2. Develop action plan including activities, timeline, teams and role for achieving the target.
3. Identify resources needed for implementation
4. Are there other targets that should be included?

3:00 Panel summaries and discussions

4:00 Conclusions and recommendations (Brandi Schottel and Jim Jones (NSF INFEWS) and Rabi Mohtar TAMU WEF Nexus Initiative)

4:00 Adjournment
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