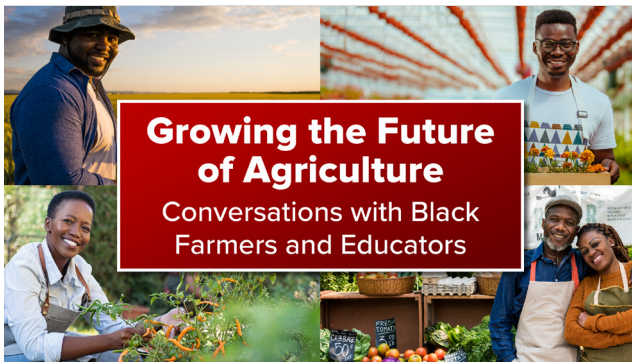


Tuesday, October 12, 2021



Growing the Future of Agriculture: Conversations with Black Farmers and Educators

Join this program to learn from Black farmers, and about opportunities and challenges that exist for growing and enhancing connections to the land through agriculture and other regenerative land and community practices, including for youth of color. In addition, leaders from Ohio's two land grant institutions, Central State and Ohio State, will share about their efforts through Extension, engineering, and agricultural sciences to improve opportunities for Black farmers in Ohio.
Register today at go.osu.edu/epnoct21

Tuesday, November 16, 2021

The Limits to Growth, Revisited

Gaya Herrington (director, advisory, Sustainability Services, KPMG US) made international news this summer re-analyzing and updating the landmark 1972 MIT study, *The Limits to Growth*, that presented various outcomes for what could happen when the growth of industrial civilization collided with finite resources. Learn from Gaya and local leaders about the limits to growth, sustainable development, and strategies to align towards a different, more ecologically balanced future. Registration will be available soon.

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******* Thank You! *******

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7:15 a.m.–9:30 a.m.
**Nationwide &
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Program Co-host:



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AGENDA

For in-person guests

7:15 a.m. Doors open at Ohio State 4-H Center; Coffee served.

7:40 a.m. Breakfast buffet served.

For all program attendees

8:10 a.m. Jeff Sharp, PhD. (director, School of Environment and Natural Resources) and **Elena Irwin, PhD** (distinguished professor of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences in Economics & Sustainability in the Department of Agricultural, Environmental, and Development Economics and faculty director of the Sustainability Institute at Ohio State) provide welcome remarks.

8:30 a.m. Roger Williams (associate professor, Forest Ecosystem Analysis and Management and affiliated faculty, Sustainability Institute, and the Institute for Chinese Studies) presents innovative approaches to using prescriptive fires to restore Ohio's native landscapes.

8:55 a.m. Jack McGowan-Stinski (program manager for the Lake States Fire Science Consortium) presents strategies to take fire applications into communities and recent advances in the process for applying controlled burns during growing seasons, drawing upon collaborations facilitated by the Fire Science Exchange Network.

9:10 a.m. Moderated Q & A session for both in-person and virtual audiences.

9:25 a.m. Closing Comments by Dr. Sharp.



This program is being recorded and posted to the EPN YouTube channel for future access and viewing.

Breakfast provided by **Creative Cuisine**
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Elena Irwin

Elena Irwin, PhD is a distinguished professor of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences in Economics & Sustainability in the Department of Agricultural, Environmental, and Development Economics and faculty director of the Sustainability Institute at The Ohio State University. Her research addresses the sustainability of human-natural systems at local and regional scales, with a focus on land use, ecosystem services, and integrated models of land-water systems. She has been PI or Co-PI on multiple research projects totally over \$16 million in funding, including funding from the National Science Foundation, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, as well as private foundations. Dr. Irwin earned an undergraduate degree in German and History from Washington University in St. Louis and her PhD in agricultural and resource economics from the University of Maryland.



Roger A. Williams

Roger A. Williams, PhD is an associate professor of Forest Ecosystem Analysis and Management in the School of Environment and Natural Resources at The Ohio State University and affiliated faculty of the Sustainability Institute at Ohio State and the Institute for Chinese Studies, East Asian Studies Center. His research interests include the use of fire to manage oak forest systems; wildland fire behavior; forest carbon management for climate change mitigation; modeling of forest growth and yield and forest ecosystem processes; quantitative silviculture and forest ecology; forest density management and control; forest stand dynamics and their manipulation; and silviculture systems. He is a member of the North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture, Society of American Foresters, the Ohio Chapter of Society of American Foresters, and a former member of the Society of American Foresters, North Louisiana Group.



Jack McGowan-Stinski

Jack McGowan-Stinski, MS is the Program Manager for the Lake States Fire Science Consortium funded by the Joint Fire Science Program and administered through The Ohio State University. Jack received a B.S. in Wildlife Biology from UW-Stevens Point, and a M.S. in Conservation Biology from Central Michigan University. Jack's other professional experiences include Fire Manager and Land Steward for The Nature Conservancy, Consultant/ Contractor Burn Boss, and multiple seasonal positions with USFS and State DNR's.

