

Our 2026

RESILIENCE 365

Conference

in Review



UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI
CLIMATE RESILIENCE
INSTITUTE

RESILIENCE 365 | The Programming

2
Days

30+
Sessions

*Student
Micro-talks*

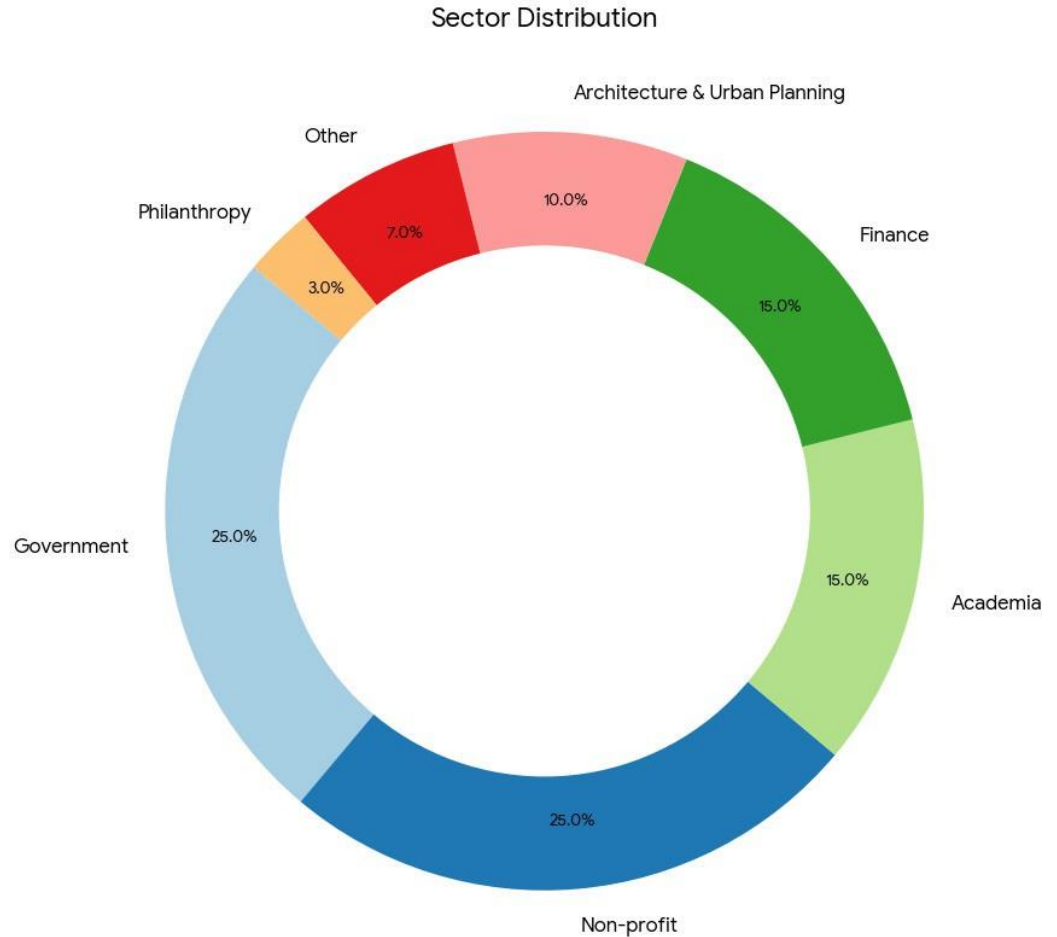
Panels

*Speed
Networking*

*Interactive
Workshops*

RESILIENCE 365 | The Sectors

We had attendees & panelists from various sectors:



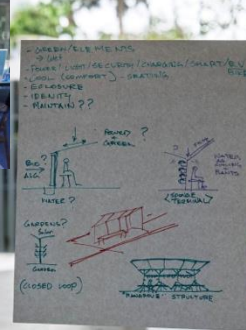
Built & Natural Infrastructure

- ✓ Materials innovations for climate-smart design
- ✓ Nature-based solutions & hybrid coastal protections
- ✓ Improving access to resilient housing



Climate & Health

- ✓ Health impacts of heat & air quality
- ✓ Community-based solutions
- ✓ Disaster response & implications for building resilience



Panel - Transdisciplinary Approaches to Addressing Heat-Related Health Risk



Interactive Workshop - Waiting in the Shade: Optimizing Bus Shelters for a Changing Climate

Resilience Finance

- ✓ Leading-edge public financing
- ✓ Innovative structures to capture the resilience dividend
- ✓ Policy levers & data gap analysis to drive systems change



RESILIENCE 365 | The Keynote Speakers



Eileen Higgins
Mayor
City of Miami



Michael Berkowitz
Executive Director
**UM Climate Resilience
Institute**



Daniella Levine Cava
Mayor
Miami-Dade County



Joel Samuels
Provost & Executive VP for
Academic Affairs
University of Miami

400+
Attendees

100+
Speakers

RESILIENCE 365 | The Attendees



RESILIENCE 365 | The Expert Panelists



Xavier de Souza Briggs
The Brookings Institution



Anjali Saxena
University of Miami Miller School of Medicine



Tom Klein
University of Miami Center for Urban & Community Design

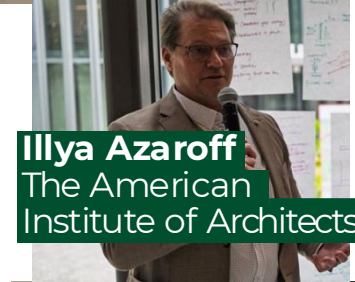
Susanne Torriente Jacobs

Eulois Cleckley
The Underline

Stephen Hammer
Hammer Climate Advisory



Loren Parra
Miami-Dade County DERM



Illya Azaroff
The American Institute of Architects



Francesca de Quesada Covey
Knight Foundation



Shaun Donovan
former Secretary of Housing



Jane Gilbert
Climate Resilience Center at the Atlantic Council



Kilan Ashad-Bishop
University of Miami Rosenstiel School



Victoria Salinas
Duke University

Mike Beck
UC Santa Cruz



Arnab Ghosh
Cornell Medicine



Alec Bogdanoff
Brizaga



Rachel Silverstein
Miami Waterkeeper

Yoca Arditi-Rocha
The CLEO Institute



Annie Lord
Miami Homes for All

RESILIENCE 365 | The Expert Panelists



Judith Rodin
University of Pennsylvania



Amy Clement
University of Miami Rosenstiel School



Jainey Bavishi
University of Miami Climate Resilience Institute



Emily Becker
Cooperative Institute for Marine & Atmospheric Studies



Katherine Dafforn
Stone Living Lab

Marcelo Suarez-Orozco
University of Massachusetts, Boston



Dalton Hesley
University of Miami ResilientSEA



Caiti Waks
Debris Free Oceans



Meg Daly
The Underline



Sonia Brubaker
City of Miami



Paul Nelson
Resilient Cities Catalyst



Lauren Alexander Augustine
Gulf Research Program



Courtney Reich
Georgia Conservancy



Kathie Delo
North Carolina Dept. of Env. Quality



Sadek Wahba
I Squared Capital



Dave Kelly
University of Miami

RESILIENCE 365 | The Connections Made



RESILIENCE 365 | The Sponsors + Collaborators



RESILIENCE 365 | The Reviews

"The topics covered were diverse and relevant on many levels, and both the presenters and attendees were excellent. I met and reconnected with many people.

Also, the overall organization of the event was impressive. From the seamless experience, signage, color scheme, and tech, to general support, pre prep, and food, everything appeared to run smoothly from where I sat."

- Andrew Salkin, Resilient Cities Catalyst

"In a moment of many fires, grateful for the opportunity to advance creative solutions to help communities proactively address the impacts of extreme weather-in partnership with so much brilliance!"

- Prithi Trivedi, Packard Foundation