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Growing Sustainable Communities Conference Kicks Off Tuesday at Grand River Center

More Than 300 from 11 States Will Attend

DUBUQUE, Iowa – Municipal professionals, elected officials and leaders in business and industry will convene at the Grand River Center Tuesday and Wednesday to learn and share best practices in sustainability. More than 300 registered guests from 48 cities and 11 states will attend.

On Wednesday, the fourth annual Growing Sustainable Communities Conference will feature four tracks of educational sessions for municipal government professionals and business leaders. While the noon luncheon has been sold out, registrations to attend Wednesday's educational tracks will be taken at the door for \$75 (checks only). All Tuesday workshops and an evening networking reception are also sold out.

Dr. Mahmoud Naghshineh, vice president of services research at IBM Watson Research and director of the IBM Services Innovation Lab, will present the luncheon keynote address. The conference's morning keynote address will be given by D. Michael Mucha, chief engineer and director of the Madison, Wis., Metropolitan Sewerage District and chairman of the American Public Works Association's Center for Sustainability.

Dr. Naghshineh leads a research and development team of IBM top IT services experts worldwide. He will share how cities can manage sustainable growth by leveraging information and engaging citizens.

Mucha became director of the Madison MSD in January after serving as the director of public works for the City of Olympia, Wash., for 11 years. During his tenure in Olympia, he achieved significant reductions in overall community water consumption every year, developed actions to adapt Olympia to sea-level rise and advanced a bold vision of becoming a waste-free community. He will speak on building a relationship of trust and respect in public service.

Presented by the City of Dubuque and Sustainable City Network, Inc., the Growing Sustainable Communities conference will teach leaders and staff how to create a balance between environmental, economic and social sustainability in resource management, transportation, and energy efficiency. Additional sessions will focus on sustainability project management, financing options, and community engagement.

The conference will address such topics as green infrastructure, complete streets, electric vehicles, lighting retrofits, green building, materials management, renewable energy, and more. See www.GSCDubuque.com for details.

The City of Dubuque is nationally recognized as one of the most progressive, successful and sustainable cities in the Midwest. The “Sustainable Dubuque” initiative integrates [11 sustainability principles](#) which provide a framework for its strategic planning process and serve as a programming guide for the annual conference.

Sustainable City Network's online magazine, sCityNetwork.com, e-mail newsletters and quarterly print publication provide municipalities with vetted information on topics ranging from sustainable building practices and energy conservation to the latest technologies in waste management, public transportation, watershed maintenance and pollution control.

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