



2025 Ohio Fuel Cell and Hydrogen Symposium Agenda

Hydrogen and Fuel Cells - Pathways to Progress

Honda Heritage Center
24025 Honda Parkway, Marysville, OH 43040

HONDA

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27

11:00 AM	to	12:30 PM	OFCHC Members Meeting (private)
1:00 PM	to	4:00 PM	2025 Honda CR-V e:FCEV, plant production tour at the Honda Performance Manufacturing Center (PMC)/ Ride and Drive, Nuvera Genset Live Demo available
1:00 PM	to	4:00 PM	Exhibitor Set-Up
4:00 PM	to	4:15 PM	Welcome from Eric Walli, Assistant Vice President and Regional Planning Division Manager, American Honda Motor Co., Inc.
4:15 PM	to	5:15 PM	Government Affairs/Advocacy Panel - Alex Chapman, Moderator, President & Co-Chief Investment Officer - Ridge Creek Global
			Panelists: Connor Dolan, Vice President of External Affairs - FCHEA, Brian Hicks, President & CEO- Hicks Partners, Tyler M. Duvelius, Vice President of Government & Corporate Affairs - Swing State Strategies
5:15 PM	to	8:00 PM	Poster Session and self-guided Honda Heritage Center Museum tour
5:15 PM	to	8:00 PM	Networking Reception, Exhibits, Genset Live Demonstration

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28

8:00 AM	to	8:30 AM	Registration and Exhibits
8:30 AM	to	8:40 AM	Kick-off, Welcome, and Introductions:
			OFCHC Exec. Director Bill Whittenberger and Chairman Scott Swartz, CTO, Nexceris Welcome from Bob Nelson, Executive Vice President, American Honda Motor Co.
8:40 AM	to	8:50 AM	Bill Whittenberger, P.E., Executive Director - Ohio Fuel Cell and Hydrogen Coalition
			<i>Our Coalition is Strong!</i>
8:50 AM	to	9:00 AM	Dr. Sunita Satyapal, Former Director - Hydrogen and Fuel Cells Technology Office, U.S. Dept. of Energy
			<i>Video Presentation</i>
9:00 AM	to	9:50 AM	Jack Brouwer, Ph.D., Director of Clean Energy Institute, Professor: Mechanical & Aerospace; Civil & Environmental; Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering - UC Irvine
			<i>Electrification is important; then we must add hydrogen</i>
9:50 AM	to	10:25 AM	Gary Robinson, Vice President of Sustainability and Business Development - American Honda Motor Co., Inc.
			<i>Honda's Approach to Growing a Hydrogen Economy in the United States</i>
10:25 AM	to	10:55 AM	Break and Exhibit viewing
10:55 AM	to	11:30 AM	Wladimir Sarmiento-Darkin, Director, National BD and Clean Hydrogen - Linde Gases US
			<i>H2 Refueling Infrastructure and Supply Reliability – Linde solutions for the American market</i>
11:30 AM	to	12:05 PM	Amy Koscielak, Senior Business Development Leader - American Electric Power
			<i>Bridging the Data Center Power Gap with Onsite Fuel Cell Solutions.</i>
12:05 PM	to	1:05 PM	Lunch and Exhibit Viewing
1:05 PM	to	2:05 PM	Workforce Panel Discussion (Lisa Rimpf, Moderator, Director-Strategic Improvement - Babcock and Wilcox
			Panelists: Mark Mason, Prof. of Chemistry - Univ. of Toledo; Mark Henning, Research Supervisor - Cleveland State Univ.; Julie Michael Smith, Workforce & Economic Development Specialist and Owner - Vista Azul
2:05 PM	to	2:40 PM	Mike Ahearn, Vice-President - Hydrogen Service - Plug Power
			<i>Deploying the Clean Hydrogen Economy at Scale</i>
2:40 PM	to	3:00 PM	Shawn Bennett, Energy & Resilience Division Manager - Battelle
			<i>Appalachian Regional Clean Hydrogen Hub (ARCH2) Update</i>
3:00 PM	to	3:15 PM	Akshay Thakur, Co-Founder & CEO @ Blackcurrant Inc.
			<i>Enabling Hydrogen Market Liquidity Through Smart Offtake and AI</i>
3:15 PM	to	3:45 PM	Break and Exhibit Viewing
3:45 PM	to	4:20 PM	Matt Ulrich, Technical Sales, Member of AREMA Committee 38 - RedHawk Energy Systems
			<i>RedHawk Energy's Fuel Cell Journey – From Theory to Mass Deployment</i>
4:20 PM	to	4:55 PM	William Lehner, Chief Strategy Officer - Independence Hydrogen
			<i>Decentralized Hydrogen</i>
4:55 PM			Closing remarks