New Energy Works Overview

Description

New Energy Works (NEW) is a national community of practice for state, regional, and local leaders working at the nexus of economic development and energy who seek to accelerate economic development in the U.S. by growing new energy technology industries. With unstable investment and policy environments, practitioners must be better prepared to seize opportunities, so the U.S. can both meet critical infrastructure needs domestically and capture substantially more of the economic benefits of the global energy transition.

The aim of NEW is to systematically improve how state, regional and local leaders identify, evaluate, and act on energy-driven economic opportunity through targeted learning and facilitated peer networking. The community of practice can help rebuild American policy expertise in the energy technology industry and reform public investment strategies to boost commercialization, manufacturing, and deployment of these technologies.

Participants

NEW recruits members working in: energy policy, utility and grid system management, workforce development, and economic development. Good candidate organizations include, but are not limited to: state government, local government, chambers of commerce, economic development organizations, community colleges, energy technology companies, startup incubators, cluster organizations, industry analysts, manufacturing, project developers, and others.

How It Works

NEW provides a platform to:

- Share new research and scalable success stories in energy-led economic development,
- Enable peer learning within and across regions and levels of government and public-private partnerships, and
- Surface cross-cutting, policy-relevant barriers to technology commercialization, manufacturing, and deployment (Key barriers may include power availability, poor incentive design, siting and permitting challenges, and more).

Once a member is subscribed to the network, they have access to NEW programming and peer-to-peer learning sessions. NEW will host monthly virtual learning modules (and in-person sessions when possible), which will feature technical experts who present research and actionable insights on topics such as EDOs supporting energy tech start-ups and energy zone planning. There will also be facilitated, peer-to-peer conversations, where participants can engage with each other and experts more deeply.

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