

TITLE: Invisible Voices in the New Green Economy

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229 ILR Conference Room**

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An increasing focus, globally, on sustainability and climate change has brought demands for a response from governments and corporations. Innovations in energy, transportation, communications, and urban and rural planning have the potential to create significant new jobs – but historically marginalized groups such as people with disabilities, immigrants, veterans, and indigenous populations are at risk of being excluded from these economic and workforce developments.

The ACSF and the ILR School are proposing to bring together an interdisciplinary group of scholars from across the Cornell campus who are interested in exploring the environmental and economic impact of these issues on these populations, whose voices have been minimally integrated into the discourse on sustainability. Starting from the connection between disability and sustainability (environmentally and economically), we are seeking to incorporate researchers who are working with a variety of populations that have struggled to make known the importance of their inclusion into the economy.

To kick off this interest area, a topical lunch will be sponsored on April 15 at the ILR Conference Center, to identify interested others and explore next steps, such as collaborative pursuit of funding and other related initiatives. To find out more about the development of an on campus initiative in this area and explore collaborative funding opportunities, please contact Susanne Bruyère at smb23@cornell.edu
To register for the lunch, please contact Pat Hoyt at prh22@cornell.edu