

**Hydropower Workforce Workshop**  
**Located at the [CEATI Hydropower Conference](#)**  
**March 13, 2023 – Ambassador Room 1-3**  
**Westin Rancho Mirage, Palm Springs, CA**

**Agenda:**

**1:00 pm:** Introductions

**1:15 pm:** Presentation on WPTO Workforce STEM program and achievements to date. Special emphasis on workforce analysis to date.

**1:25 pm:** Summary of previously held brainstorming activities with NHA conference participants and four identified categories for future workforce efforts.

**1:30 to 2:30 pm:** Breakout sessions

**Group 1:** Building Nationwide Partnerships

**Group 2:** Hydropower Industry Alignment/Standardization to Build the Pipeline

**Group 3:** Enhancing Interest in Hydropower by Changing Perception

**Group 4:** Community Immersion – Localized

**2:30 pm:** Break Out Session Leaders Report out

**2:50 pm:** Conclusions and Next Steps

**3:00 pm:** Dismissed

**Workshop Description:**

With one-half of the U.S. hydropower workforce retiring in the coming decade, the need to fill the workforce pipeline has never been more critical. In partnership with the Hydropower Foundation, the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), will present U.S. workforce trends and the broader work produced through the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) Workforce Development project funded by the DOE's Water Power Technologies Office. The workshop will also engage participants to identify common international challenges, trends and strategies to address hydropower industry workforce issues, with a goal of identifying best practices to strengthen the global hydropower industry.

*There is no additional cost to attend this event, but we do require all attendees to register in advance. You can add this onto your ticket when you register for the Hydropower Conference.*