A three-part series of public discussions on the outcomes of the Paris 2015 Climate Conference and the implications for grassroots organizations and frontline communities

Debrief +

February 19

This session will focus on the outcomes of the Paris talks. What was achieved and what was not achieved? What will the impact be on cities and regions? In particular, what do the agreements mean for communities that are comprised of low-income people, as well as emerging economies and nations struggling to overcome colonialism?

Ghislaine Hermanuz, United Nations Huairou Commission; Hermanuz, Ltd. (Planning, Architecture, Urban Design)
Jeffrey Raven, Graduate Program in Urban & Regional Design at New York Institute of Technology; AIANY Planning and Urban Design Committee
Andrew Revkin, Pace Academy for Applied Environmental Studies; The New York Times Dot Earth blog
Kellie Terry, Sustainable Communities Program at The Surdna Foundation

Ron Shiffman, moderator

Environmental Justice on the Move

March 4

From the barrios of the global south to the streets of Paris, the climate justice movement’s war cry against climate change rings out: “We are the roots that will weather the storm.” Climate change will not be addressed without frontline communities leading the charge. Join environmental justice activists in learning about just transitions, NYRenews and how climate justice movement initiatives are redefining power while approaching the biggest challenge in history.

Rae Breaux, National People’s Action
Stephen Edel, The Center for Working Families; NYRenews
Ana Orozco, UPROSE

Ron Shiffman & Elizabeth Yeampierre, moderators

An Agenda for Action

April 1

Building on the previous two panels, this final session will focus on developing an agenda for action, including a discussion of the role of the community development and the community design professions in addressing climate change.

Illya Azaroff, American Institute of Architects
Juan Camilo Osorio, New York City Environmental Justice Alliance
Amy Chester, Rebuild by Design

Ron Shiffman, moderator

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