2027 Brownfield Seminar
Call for Abstracts

GBA is planning its 13th annual Brownfield Seminar, providing a forum for discussions about the environmental, financial, regulatory, and community factors that guide brownfield remediation and redevelopment.

GBA will bring together information, experience, and research to provide Seminar participants a greater knowledge and ability to help revitalize their community. *We are hoping for an in-person event in June, but planning for either a virtual or in-person event* that will feature a variety of discussions about brownfield-related topics. Visit GeorgiaBrownfield.org/Seminar for more information about past presenters.

Attendees:

This seminar will provide quality education and networking opportunities with a wide range of attendees, including leading development, legal, engineering, risk management, economic development, and other professionals, as well as municipal leaders and community advocates throughout Georgia with a shared interest in cleaning and redeveloping contaminated properties and revitalizing surrounding areas around the state.

Abstract Submissions:

For the purpose of reviewing and programming, abstracts will be organized on the basis of categories listed on the following page. When submitting your abstract, please indicate which two categories best represent your contribution. Your abstract may be for a single speaker or for an organized session with up to four speakers. The Brownfield Seminar Committee will accept abstracts through Friday, Jan. 15, 2027.

Abstracts should meet the following criteria (see Abstract Format document as an example):

- Do not exceed one-page in length
- Include session title
- List proposed speakers and their relevance to the topic
- Provide thorough overview of the proposed topic, clearly and concisely outlining the material being proposed for the presentation, including the content to be addressed and projects/case studies to be referenced
- Session point of contact, including contact information Abstracts with a pronounced commercial or marketing tone will not be accepted. Please submit abstracts to Jennifer@HLStrategy.com by **Friday, Jan. 15, 2027.**

Conference Questions:

Program questions should be directed to Jennifer Lesnieski at Jennifer@HLStrategy.com or Kelly Saunders at Kelly@HLStrategy.com.

- SAMPLE ABSTRACT –

Session Name

Proposed speakers (max of four):
• Name, title, company/ affiliation, experience with topic

Approximate Duration:
Your proposed session can range from a single speaker (15-30 minutes) up to an organized panel of four speakers (60-75 minutes). Category (suggestions include the following):

- Community health & engagement
- Development issues
- Economic development
- Site investigation & remediation
- Human health & ecological risk assessment
- Environmental justice
- Grants and lending opportunities
- Innovative approaches & technologies
- Emerging contaminants & their impact on redevelopment
- Brownfield case studies
- Climate change preparation & resiliency
- Low carbon energy transition brownfield opportunities

Geographic area that best fits your session:

- Georgia Coastal region
- Georgia Northwest region
- Georgia Southwest region
- Central Georgia
- Metro Atlanta
- Outside of Georgia
- International

Session format:
Describe how you intend to present during your session (ex. PowerPoint, interactive panel discussion, debate, video, etc.).

Overarching theme: In one or two sentences, describe the "take-away" message from your presentation.

Background/Objectives: State the problems, situations, and objectives that led to the work intended to be presented at the Seminar. For pilot or field-scale work, briefly summarize the history and other pertinent conditions of the site(s). If the site(s) cannot be named for reasons of confidentiality, provide enough information to establish context.

Approach/Activities: Describe the project scale and identify the scientific principles, technology, or combination of technologies being studied.

Results/Lessons Learned: Mention any results that can be discussed now and describe the types of data and analyses expected to be available at the time of presentation.

Abstract Point of Contact: Name, phone, and email

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