



**MEMBER OF COUNCIL REPORT  
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**Name of Member of Council:** Councillor Michael Thompson

**Name of Conference:** Intelligent Community Forum

**Location:** New York, New York

**Date(s) Attended:** June 4 to 6th, 2014

**I confirm I attended the following sessions (please use additional sheet if required):**

DATE	TIME	NAME OF SESSION
04/06/14	4:15 pm.	HOW INTELLIGENT COMMUNITIES THRIVE ON GLOBAL INVESTMENT - PANEL MEMBER
05/06/14	1:00 pm	CONVERSATION WITH A TOP 7 INTELLIGENT COMMUNITY - TAIWAN
05/06/14	2:00 pm	" " - KINGSTON
05/06/14	3:00 pm	" " - NEW TAIPEI CITY
05/06/14	3:30 pm	" " TORONTO

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**Date:**

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## Program

### Community as Canvas

# SUMMIT 14

June 3-5 New York City

**June 3**

### ICF Foundation Day

The first day of the Summit is devoted to the ICF Foundation, the membership association of cities and regions named as Intelligent Communities by ICF. ICF Foundation Day includes a a meeting of the ICFF Board, economic development networking sessions, and the Annual General Meeting of members. Attendance is restricted to ICFF Full and Associate Members and their guests. *Separate registration required.* See [Locations](#) for the sites of the events.



9:00

#### Foundation Board Meeting

Annual meeting of the Foundation Board, restricted to Directors and observers from Full Members of the Foundation. Coffee and pastries will be available from 8:30 am.

13:00

#### Economic Development Matchmaking

For the first time, ICF is providing Full and Associate Members of the Foundation, as well as their companies and institutions, the chance to explore strategic partnerships, business location and market entry opportunities, and joint projects. In a series of scheduled 20-minute introductory meetings, participants will present their goals and capabilities, and identify potential areas for future collaboration. ICF will offer an online system for communities and companies to reserve tables, and for participants to schedule meetings with them in advance. Space is limited. Bring your basic presentation and lots of business cards to take advantage of this unique international opportunity. Separate registration required, to be announced to Summit registrants.

13:00	Welcome and introduction; table set-up
13:20 - 15:20	Meetings
15:20	Closing

#### Foundation Annual General Meeting

The ICF Foundation is the membership association of the Intelligent Community Forum. Members are invited to attend the Annual General meeting to hear a report on the Foundation's activities over the past 12 months, meet the Board of Directors and share their ideas for the Foundation's future. Open to ICF Full and Associate Members and their guests from all Intelligent Communities.

16:00	Welcome and introduction
16:15	Reports to the membership
16:45	Question & answer
17:00	Closing

### Free Evening

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**June 4  
Community Accelerator Day**

A central feature of ICF's [Community Accelerator](#) is the Master Class. Summit 14 will feature two Master Classes, one focusing on how large urban areas are making the transition from being "smart cities" into Intelligent Communities, the other on the unique challenges and opportunities facing rural cities and regions. Seating is limited and registrants are encouraged to reserve their place early. The Master Classes are followed by the Top7 Intelligent Communities Reception. *Separate registration required for the events.*



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**Urban Challenges, Urban Promise**

This Master Class is hosted by Paul Hastings. [Click here for more location information](#)

**PAUL  
HASTINGS**



We gratefully acknowledge Allied Fiber for its sponsorship of the Master Class.

**Development Imperatives for Rural Communities**

This workshop is hosted by the **CUSP** Center for Urban Science + Progress at the Polytechnic Institute. [Click here for more location information.](#)

9:00  
Registration and Continental Breakfast

**10:00  
Intelligent Communities: Facing a Future of Dramatic Change**

The 2014 Master Class Tutorial looks ahead to the dramatic changes that ICT will bring to business location decisions, labor demand and educational requirements for midsize to large cities in the decades ahead. After a refresher on the Intelligent Community development, the tutorial explores how cities can adapt to change and maintain their competitive edge.



**Robert Bell**, Co-Founder, ICF

9:00  
Registration and Continental Breakfast

**10:00  
Intelligent Rural Communities: The New Connected Countryside**

The 2014 Master Class Tutorial examines the special challenges faced by rural Intelligent Communities as well as the enormous potential of ICT to build long-term economic vitality while preserving and improving quality of life. After a refresher on the principles of Intelligent Community development, the tutorial explores how rural cities and regions are leveling the economic playing field with their urban peers.



**Norman Jacknis**, Senior Fellow, ICF

**11:45  
The Next Wave of US Broadband Regulation**  
Recent policy changes at the Federal Communications Commission has stirred loud debate over the future of "net neutrality" in American broadband networks, but it is just one of many issues shaping broadband deployment. Many of the same policy debates are taking place around the world. The former Chief Counsel to the Chairman of the FCC shares her views on where broadband regulation is headed and what lessons this offers other nations.



**Sherrese Smith**, Partner, Telecommunications, Media, and Technology as well as Privacy and Data Security practices, Paul Hastings

12:00  
Lunch Break

**12:45  
Getting Broadband by Hook or by Crook**  
The economics of telecom and cable TV continue to favor metropolitan areas over rural ones. What innovative approaches are Intelligent Communities using to create networks, promote investment and level the playing field?



**Mayor Rod Shaigec**, Parkland County, Alberta, Canada

12:00  
Lunch Break

**12:45  
Does Your City Really Need a Gigabit Network?**  
Gigabit networks are making headlines – but does anybody know what to do with them? Is fiber connectivity the best investment in a century being redefined by high-speed mobile networks and handheld devices?



**Jack Belcher**, Chief Information Officer, Arlington County, Virginia, USA



**Mayor Annette Main**, Whanganui, New Zealand



**Maurice Gallant**, Assistant Director, Corporate Services, City of Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada

13:30  
**The Global Countryside: Overcoming Distance and Creating Scale**  
The economic vitality of rural areas is challenged by distance and lack of concentrated resources for



**Dan Babineau**, Chief Information Officer, Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada



**Hunter Newby**, CEO, Allied Fiber

13:30

**Why Intelligent Communities Need Intelligent Regions**

Municipal borders rarely reflect the economic, cultural and social realities of a metro area. Should cities and suburbs compete to attract investment or partner in Intelligent Regions to create stronger growth for all?



**Ingrid Goetzi**, International ICT Affairs, City of Vienna, Austria



**Greg Dandewich**, Senior Vice President, Economic Development, Winnipeg



**Mayor Ming-Tsai Hsu**, Hsinchu City, Taiwan

14:15

Break

14:45

**Five Burning Questions**

We select the five most challenging questions posed by our audience and search for answers based on the cumulative wisdom of the crowd.

15:30

**Community as Canvas: How Culture Attracts, Connects and Innovates**

Cultural tourism is a growth business that contributes to the economy. How can cities make it do more: attract talent, connect citizens and spur innovation?



**Jimmy Chao-Ming Wu**, Chairperson, Research, Development and Evaluation Commission, New Taipei City, Taiwan



**Harout Chitilian**, Vice Chair, Executive Committee, City of Montreal, Quebec, Canada



**Gary Cavin**, Chief Information Officer, City of Columbus

investment. How are pioneering Intelligent Communities using ICT to overcome the hurdles and create prosperity?



**Wendy Schneider**, Executive Director, Green Hectares



**Larry Thompson**, Founder & CEO, Vantage Point Solutions

14:15

Break

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**Turning Around Digital Resistance**

Low broadband penetration is not just about telecom investment – it also reflects disparities of income, education and age. What strategies do rural Intelligent Communities find effective in bringing the “analog population” into the digital age?



**David Brunnen**, Managing Editor, Groupe Intellex, United Kingdom; Partner, NextGen UK



**Dr. Roberto Gallardo**, Associate Extension Professor, Mississippi State University Extension Service, Mississippi, USA

16:15

**Secrets of Turning Brain Drain into Brain Gain**

Communities everywhere find themselves in a global battle for talent, and rural communities face fierce competition from metro areas. What are rural Intelligent Communities doing to reverse brain drain and ensure prosperity for future generations?



**Joep Brouwers**, Vice Director, Brainport Development, Eindhoven, Netherlands



**David Woolson**, President & CEO, Walla Walla Chamber of Commerce, Walla Walla, Washington, USA



**Steven Liss**, Vice-Principal (Research), Queen’s University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada

17:00

Closing



**Donna Keren**, Senior Vice President,  
Research & Analytics, NYC & Company

16:15

**How Intelligent Communities Thrive on Global Investment**

Intelligent Communities think global. While growing their own innovative employers, how do they target FDI, tap funds from immigrant and diaspora communities and open export markets?



**Alvaro Albuquerque, Jr.**, Chief of Staff to the President, The Brazilian Small Business Agency, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil



**Councillor Michael Thompson**, City of Toronto, Ontario, Canada



**Blair Patacairk**, Business Development Consultant, InvestOttawa

13:30

17:00  
Closing

18:00

**Top7 Intelligent Communities Reception**

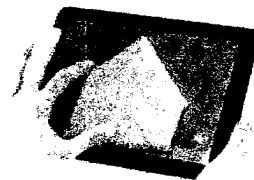
Reception with elected officials and senior leaders of ICF Foundation Full and Associate Members, honoring the 2014 Top7 Intelligent Communities of the Year. Master of Ceremonies: **Louis Zacharilla**, Co-Founder, ICF. Welcome by **Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer**. *Separate registration or invitation required.*



**June 5**

**Intelligent Community of the Year (ICY) Day**

The ICY Day focuses on the Top7 Intelligent Communities of 2014 and the selection of one of them as the Intelligent Community of the Year. During the day, the Summit features presentations on each of the Top7, conversations with community leaders and a chance to sample the unique cultures of Intelligent Communities from around the world - plus plus thought-provoking keynotes on the opportunities and obstacles created by local culture. The theme of the 2014 Summit is **Community as Canvas**, the discussions will explore how culture contributes to the economy, how it reflects the community's heritage, and how it shapes the attitudes of its people.



The evening is reserved for the Intelligent Community Awards Dinner, featuring a keynote address by ICF's Visionary of the Year and the announcement of the Intelligent Community of the Year. See [Locations](#) for the sites of the events.

8:00

Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00

**Introduction to the Plenary**

Welcome by **John Jung**, Co-Founder, ICF



9:20

**The Revolutionary Community**

Keynote by **Ryan Holladay**, who is one-half of the innovative sound/technology duo, BLUEBRAIN, along with his brother, Hays Holladay. BLUEBRAIN has garnered attention for its exploration of location-based music composition using smartphones, for which WIRED dubbed them "pioneers.". The Washington Post listed their first location-aware app/album, 'The National Mall', in its list of Top 10 Album of 2011 (a first for an app) calling the work "magical...like using GPS to navigate a dream." BLUEBRAIN has been featured in The New York Times, BBC World Service, The Guardian, Rolling Stone, and Fast Company. Ryan also serves as the New Media Curator at Artisphere, a 52,000 sq. ft. arts facility located in **Arlington County, Virginia**. See his TED Talk: [To Hear This Music You Have to Be There. Literally](#)

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9:45

Conversation with a Top7 Intelligent Community

**Arlington County, Virginia, USA**

**Barbara Donnellan, Arlington County Manager, and Jay Fisetto, Arlington County Board Chair**, interviewed by Louis Zacharilla.



Break



10:45

**A Hundred Years of Colored Glass Culture**

The production of colored art glass is a hundred-year-old tradition in Hsinchu, which has been revived and expanded in the 21st Century. The Mayor of Hsinchu, Hsu Ming-Tsai, is known for his skills in the traditional art of Chinese calligraphy. In the presentation, Mayor Hsu will use a traditional Chinese brush pen to write five Chinese characters, which name the beautiful color glass artwork for which the city is famous. Mayor Hsu will then explain the meaning of the characters and present color glass artwork gifts to select members of the audience.



11:05

**Kingston: Seriously Sophisticated**

ICF Summit participants will have a chance to experience what happens when culture and technology come together. Aspects of Kingston's culture will be showcased by engaging delegates over the course of three day Summit using a combination of social media and participatory activities designed to connect Kingston with New York City. Using these tools, delegates will experience a taste of history, literature, art, music, video and public interventions that knit together to provide an intriguing glimpse into what makes Kingston so culturally rich and interesting. Interactions with this content over the course of the Summit will be brought together on the final day as part of presentation that illustrates what "Community as Canvas" means from a uniquely Kingston perspective.

11:45

Conversation with a Top7 Intelligent Community

**Columbus, Ohio, USA**

**Gary Cavin**, Chief Information Officer, City of Columbus interviewed by John Jung



Lunch

13:00

Conversation with a Top7 Intelligent Community

**Hsinchu City, Taiwan**

**Mayor Ming-Tsai Hsu**, interviewed by Robert Bell

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13:30

**Sultans of String: A Celebration of Toronto's Vibrant Multiculturalism**

JUNO nominees and CFMA winners, the Sultans of String, perform their high octave roots-worldbeat-

jazz. In this special concert, Sultans of String meet the electricity of special guest, sitar master Anwar Khurshid. Anwar's music has been featured in Oscar-winning film *Life of Pi* as well as *The Love Guru*. This innovative collaboration with Sultans of String serves up a spicy musical passport that defies categorization. The presentation will feature a live music performance accompanying a video detailing the multicultural richness of life in Canada's biggest metropolis, where over 140 languages and dialects are spoken and more than 50% of the population was born outside Canada.

14:00  
 Conversation with a Top7 Intelligent Community  
**Kingston, Ontario, Canada**  
**Mayor Mark Gerretsen**, interviewed by Louis Zacharilla.



Break

15:00  
 Conversation with a Top7 Intelligent Community  
**New Taipei City, Taiwan**  
**Deputy Mayor Shen-Hsien Chen and Jimmy Chao-Ming Wu**, Chairperson, Research, Development and Evaluation Commission, interviewed by Robert Bell



15:30  
 Conversation with a Top7 Intelligent Community  
**Toronto, Ontario, Canada**  
**Councillor Ann Bailao, Councillor Michael Thompson and Waterfront Toronto CEO John Campbell**, interviewed by Louis Zacharilla.



16:00  
**Sky Lantern Flying**

Sky lanterns are part of the cultural fabric of Taiwan, and the Pingxi District of New Taipei City is the center of sky lantern culture. The Sky Lantern Festival of New Taipei City was named the 52 things to do in 2013 by CNN Travel. Fodor's Travel, the world's largest travel guide publisher has selected it as one of the 14 must attend festivals of lifetime in the world. The presentation will open with a video demonstrating the process and spirit of the sky lantern launch into the night sky. After the introduction, the video continues with a scene where good wishes about ICF and the Top7 of 2014 are written on a sky lantern. The presentation concludes with presentation of electronic sky lanterns to the three co-founders of ICF and the six other representatives for the Top7, with a group photo of all.



16:15  
**A Gift for ICF from the Idea Foundry**

The Columbus Idea Foundry is Ohio's premier Makerspace, which provides training on and technology from the conventional to the high-tech and puts the tools of innovation into the hands of the community. The Foundry is a community workshop, learning center and creative space for entrepreneurs, fabricators, inventors, protoypers, designers, craftsmen, artisans and artists. To showcase Columbus culture at its most creative, Idea Foundry's Alex Bandar tell the story of the Idea Foundry and its place in Columbus culture, and will present to ICF a unique display honoring the inspiring creativity of the Forum.

16:30  
 Conversation with a Top7 Intelligent Community  
**Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada**  
**City Councillor Russ Wyatt**, interviewed by John Jung.



17:00  
 Closing

18:30

**Intelligent Community Awards Dinner**

Honoring the ICF Visionary of the Year and the Intelligent Community of the Year. See [Locations](#) for the site of the event. Master of Ceremonies: **Louis Zacharilla**.



18:30

**Reception**

19:30

**Dinner**

**Visionary of the Year Keynote Address**

**Suneet Singh Tuli**, CEO, DataWind

**Intelligent Community of the Year Award**