



PLASTICS RECYCLING FROM A TO Z

				
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SPEAKER BIOS

Ali Briggs-Ungerer

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Ali Briggs-Ungerer is the Director of Market Development for The Association of Plastic Recyclers (APR). In this role she manages a handful of APR initiatives – including Demand Champions, PCR Certification, and the Market Development Committee – and supports APR communications. Ali started in the recycling industry in 2004 by sorting recyclables at a 90,000-person event and later moved into the electronics recycling and plastics recycling realms. Ali joined APR in 2017 and previously worked with Resource Recycling to produce the Plastics Recycling Conference, the E-Scrap Conference, and the Resource Recycling Conference. Ali is a longtime AOR board member and she resides in Portland, OR with her family.

Kate Eagles

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Kate Eagles serves as Program Director for the Association of Plastic Recyclers (APR), the international trade association representing the plastics recycling industry.

Kate's APR focus areas include the management of the APR Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) Committee; analysis related to California legislative and regulatory topics; furthering the success of PET thermoform recycling; identifying and educating regarding PET package design features that adversely impact recycled material supply and quality; and data analysis pertaining to recycled materials collection, processing, and markets.

Kate joined the plastics recycling industry in 2005 and wore various hats during her 10-year tenure at the California-based plastics recycling consultancy Moore Recycling Associates. During this time, Kate served in several roles for the National Association for PET Container Resources (NAPCOR), with specific focus on projects and analyses related to the recycled PET supply chain, the domestic PET reclamation industry, and recycled PET end markets.

Before making the move to plastics recycling, Kate worked in a variety of food and beverage marketing and public relations roles. She lives and works in northern California.

Bryce Hesterman
RRS

Carolina Martins (moderator)

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Originally from Brazil, Carolina moved to Oregon four years ago. She is proudly the first-generation college student in her family. She is passionate about environmental justice and plastic waste reduction. Carolina organized several beach clean-ups and campaigns to reduce plastic pollution when she was a college student at Portland Community College. She is a certified Master Recycler, and she has experience working with initiatives and programs to promote sustainable practices. For the last two years, Carolina has been working with data analysis and collection to measure progress in sustainability. Carolina also volunteers her time with workgroups that support sustainability and equity work in the Pacific Northwest. Outside of work, she enjoys finding new hikes and going on scenic drives.

Tiana Lightfoot Svendsen

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For more than a decade, Tiana created and managed recycling programs and environmental outreach campaigns for academic, medical, and government organizations. Throughout her career she has propelled cross-functional teams to reach their goals and balance the triple bottom line. Tiana brings her boundless passion for sustainability and a multifaceted approach to communication to the U.S. Plastics Pact's team.

Why I Care About Recycling and a Circular Economy

"There is no Planet B. At least not one with pizza and chocolate. I am honored to work with diverse stakeholders and partners to find solutions which improve recycling and lengthen and close the loop on materials to ensure a healthy and prosperous future for generations to come."

Personal Passions and Interests

When she is not helping advance a circular economy for plastics, Tiana and her family can be found on litter clean-up walks around the lake or having impromptu dance parties in their living room.

Highlights

- LEED AP: BD+C & O+M
- Certified Practitioner of Zero Waste Practices and Principles
- B.A. & M.A. from Southern Methodist University

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