



Breaking barriers and building foundations

## 2017 CONFERENCE AGENDA

**March 30, 2017**

**12:00 – 1:00p.m.: Registration - Golden Gate Conference Room A-B**

**1:00 – 1:10 p.m.: Welcome & Opening Remarks**

- Holly Davies, Lorber, Greenfield & Polito, LLP
- Anamaria Popescu, Berkeley Research Group, LLC – Presenting Sponsor

**1:10 – 2:15 p.m.: Diversity and Your Bottom Line**

*Discover what Fortune 500 companies are doing and how the construction industry is adopting similar business and operational practices. Hear about success stories and best practices from construction industry leaders.*

Moderator: Sophia Cavalli, Balfour Beatty Construction

- Michelle Ballard, Turner Construction
- Beverly Norman Cooper, Kaiser Permanente
- Linda Graves, Gilbane Building Company
- Charissa Rotramel, WSP/Parsons Brinckerhoff

**2:15 – 3:15 p.m.: Contractors' Business Partners – Surety, Insurance, Accounting, Banking & Law**

*No one can do it alone! The five expert panelists will introduce what each of the business partners to the construction industry, surety, insurance, accounting, banking, and law, provide to contractors enabling them to thrive and grow.*

- Teresa Arrighi, CliftonLarsonAllen LLP
- Marilyn Klinger, Sedgwick LLP
- Maureen O'Connell, Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.
- Danette Beck, Marsh USA Inc.
- Michelle Loveall, First Foundation Bank

**3:15 – 3:35 p.m.: Break**

**3:35 – 4:20 p.m.: The Art of *Dredging* the Good Stuff out of People**

*Explore approaches for team member interactions to enhance engagement and get the best out of people.*

- Diane Anglin – Clark Construction Group
- Elda Mariscal – Clark Construction Group

**4:20– 5:40 p.m.: Keynote Speaker – Shari Harley, MA, CSP**

***“It’s your Career. Manage it!”***

**5:45 – 7:45 p.m. Cocktail Reception – Atrium**

## 2017 CONFERENCE AGENDA – Day 2

**March 31, 2017**

**7:30 – 8:45 a.m.:** **Networking Sit Down Breakfast - Golden Gate Conference Room A-B**

**8:00 - 8:45 a.m.:** **Innovative Projects**

*Hear about two cutting edge projects from the women involved.*

### **500 Folsom St. (aka Transbay Block 9)**

- Natalie Medved, Balfour Beatty Construction
- Laura Mighetto, Balfour Beatty Construction
- Gabrielle Rubio, Balfour Beatty Construction

### **San Francisco International Airport Air Traffic Control Tower**

- Emily Finch, Fentress Architects
- Laura Whitehurst, Walter P. Moore
- Jamie Athenour, Hensel Phelps

**8:45 – 9:00 a.m.:** **Break**

**9:00 – 10:15 a.m.:** **Leveraging Women Construction Organizations**

*Learn about various national women in construction organizations. Explore opportunities to increase your network and net worth, contracts, advance your career, and mentor the next generation.*

Moderator: Sophia Cavalli, Balfour Beatty Construction

- Caryn Boisen, National President, Women Construction Owners & Executives (WCOE)
- Sarah Carr, Co-Chair, Women in Construction Operations (WiOPS)
- Priscilla Chavez, President, National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC), Los Angeles Chapter
- Meg Vasey, Tradeswomen, Inc.

**10:15 – 11:00 a.m.:** **Guest Speaker – Sheryl Palmer**  
**President and CEO of Taylor Morrison Homes**

**11:00 – 11:15 a.m.:** **Break**

**11:15 – 12:15 p.m.:** **Paths to Success**

*Hear how women in different stages of their career have defined success and the path they have taken to achieve it. Topics include getting help, taking detours, encountering challenges, taking risks, overcoming mistakes, and hitting key milestones.*

Moderator: Beverly Prior, AECOM

- Katy Corrigan, McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.
- Cecilia Kucharski, Balfour Beatty Construction
- Heather Marin, hardison/downey construction, inc.
- Lacey Smith, Hunt Construction Group
- Barbara Wagner, Clark Construction Group

**12:15 p.m.:** **Closing Remarks**

- Barbara Wagner, Clark Construction Group

**Conference Adjourns**