



**The Rutgers Association of Policy and Planning Students (RAPPS)
and The Rutgers University Graduate Student Association (GSA)
Present**

REBUILDING THE GULF COAST

Special Events Forum

October 12th, 2006

4:30 pm

INTRODUCTIONS

PANEL DISCUSSION

MODERATOR

JULIA SASS RUBIN, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, EDWARD J. BLOUSTEIN SCHOOL OF PLANNING AND PUBLIC POLICY

Dr. Rubin joined the Bloustein School in 2003 from Brown University where she spent a year as a post-doctoral fellow in the Alfred A. Taubman Center for Public Policy. Her research is in the area of community economic development and community development finance.

PANELISTS

ROLAND ANGLIN, DIRECTOR, INITIATIVE FOR REGIONAL AND COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATION

Dr. Anglin's current project is a Ford Foundation-sponsored effort to implement the Gulf Coast Transformation Project. The goal of the Transformation Project is to help national and Gulf Coast philanthropic organizations develop innovative strategies for vulnerable communities to participate effectively in evolving public policy discussions.

JEFFREY LOWE, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

An Assistant Professor of Urban and Regional Planning, Dr. Lowe chairs the Planning and the Black Community Division of the American Planning Association (APA). Dr. Lowe served on the APA National Hurricane Recovery Taskforce and contributed to "Envisioning a Better Mississippi: Hurricane Katrina and Mississippi—One Year Later."

MARLA NELSON, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, UNIVERSITY OF NEW ORLEANS

Dr. Nelson's areas of expertise include local and regional economic development, location theory and urban revitalization. She is currently working on a resident and neighborhood recovery survey in two New Orleans planning districts; an assessment of community facilities as part of the Unified New Orleans Plan; and an investigation of the redevelopment of the New Orleans health care infrastructure from an economic development perspective.

JOHN RENNE, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, UNIVERSITY OF NEW ORLEANS

Dr. Renne, who earned his doctorate from the Bloustein School, is an associate director of the University of New Orleans Transportation Center, where he is leading the Transportation Equity and Evacuation Planning Project. He is leading a national team of experts studying evacuation plans to accommodate car-less residents.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

A reception will immediately follow the event in the lobby. Light refreshments will be served.

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