

# INCLUSIVE INNOVATION CONFERENCE



Inspiring Keynotes  
Engaging Breakouts  
Meaningful Networking  
Vendor & Business Expo

This inaugural conference brings together 250+ of the the region's corporate, startup, non-profit and education innovators to inspire, share best practices and connect to build a more inclusive future

**JUNE 5th, 2024**  
**9 am - 4 pm**

**URI Campus, Kingston RI - Memorial Union**



# FEATURED SPEAKERS\*



**Cortney Nicolato**  
CEO, United Way RI



**Emerson Foster,**  
Head of Human Resources  
U.S Business Unit & People  
Advisory Group, Takeda



**Dr. Sean Edmund Rogers**  
Dean, URI College of  
Business



**Carlos Dominiguez**  
Sr Director of Technology  
and Innovation, DEPT



**Nishita Roy-Pope**  
Founder & CEO,  
Tribe Academy



**Florcy Morriset**  
Industry X Lead,  
Accenture



**Pete Rumsey, Chief Business Development  
Officer, Chief Business Development Officer, URI  
Research Foundation/URI Ventures**



**Silvermoon LaRose**  
Assistant Director,  
Tomaquag Museum



**Dr. Ezenwayi Amaechi Ejiribe, Professor,  
Johnson & Wales, Exec. Director, Micro  
Enterprise Social Entrepreneurship**



**Annette Tonti,**  
Managing Director, RIHub



**Adesuwa Igbineweka,**  
Director for Career  
Equity and Access,  
Suffolk University



**Dr. Christy Ashley,**  
Associate Dean, URI  
College of Business

\*ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS COMING

# EVENT SCHEDULE\*

7:30 am-9:00 am	Vendor & Event Set-Up
9:00 am-10:00 am	Registration, Expo & Networking
10:00 am-11:00 am	Welcome Keynotes
11:00 am-11:30 am	Expo & Networking
11:35 am-12:20 pm	<b>Breakout Sessions</b> <i>Building Inclusive Systems</i> <i>Empowering Diverse Talent &amp; Startups</i> <i>Future Technologies</i>
12:20 pm-12:50 pm	Lunch
12:50 pm-1:30 pm	Keynotes - TBD & Inclusive Innovator Awards
1:40 pm-2:30 pm	<b>Breakout Sessions</b> <i>Healthcare for All</i> <i>Building an Inclusive Workforce</i> <i>Women in Leadership</i>
2:30 pm-3:10 pm	Expo, Networking, Women Innovators Meetup
3:10 pm-4:00 pm	Featured Leadership Panel Keynote Closing
4:00 pm-4:30 pm	Networking
4:30 pm-5:30 pm	Vendor / Expo Breakdown, Event Clean-up

\*IN PROGRESS - SUBJECT TO CHANGE



# HOST COMMITTEE\*



**Nishita Roy-Pope**, Founder & CEO, Tribe Academy - *Committee Chair*

**Dr. Christy Ashley**, Associate Dean, URI College of Business - *Committee Chair*

**Dr. Sean Edmund Rogers**, Dean, URI College of Business

**Cortney Nicolato**, CEO United Way of RI; URI Board of Trustees

**Loren Spears**, Executive Director, Tomaquag Museum

**Pete Rumsey**, Chief Business Development Officer, Chief Business Development Officer, URI Research Foundation/URI Ventures

**Joe Loberti**, Independent Business Consultant; RISEUP Program Lead

**Lynne Finnegan**, Experiential Education Coordinator, URI College of Business

**Peggy Dias**, Executive Director of IT, UMass Dartmouth

**Florcy Morisset**, IndustryX Go-to-Market Strategist, Accenture; 4x Founder

**Ann-Marie Sacco**, Associate Professor, URI College of Business

**Annette Tonti**, Managing Director, RIHub

**Lindsey Brickle**, Director of Workforce and Community Partnerships, PolarisMEP and 401TechBridge

**Christine Smith**, Director of Special Projects, URI Research Foundation

**Jennifer Luther**, Marketing Coordinator, URI College of Business

**Jackie Hayot**, Executive Director, Professional and Executive Business Education, URI College of Business

**Allyson Antin**, Asst. Director, Professional and Executive Business Education, URI College of Business

**Stef Nelson**, Asst. Director, Professional and Executive Business Education, URI College of Business

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Dedicated Expo Table	X	X	X
Welcome Remarks - Mainstage Session			X
Welcome Remarks - Breakout Session		X	X
All-Access Conference Ticket	3	5	8
Expo Representative Ticket	1	1	2
Social Media Promotion - 10K+ Followers		X	X
Program Logo Feature	X	X	X
Mainstage Sponsor Recognition		X	X
Handout / swag in participant package			X
Sponsor Networking Meet-up (Women Innovators) or Innovators Awards		X	X

**\$500 Vendor Only: Expo table, 1 Expo representative, vendor name listed in program (no logo)**

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