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## **Office of Sustainability, IUPUI to host Indianapolis Sustainability Summit**

*First-of-its-kind event in Indianapolis will highlight the impact of collaborative efforts to advance sustainability and build a stronger community*

**INDIANAPOLIS** – Today, the City of Indianapolis Office of Sustainability and IUPUI announced they will partner to host the Indianapolis Sustainability Summit. The first event of its kind to take place in Indianapolis, the summit will bring together residents and community leaders for a day of workshops, networking, and inspiring community action.

“The Indianapolis Sustainability Summit is an opportunity for our community to come together, share knowledge, and identify future goals,” said Indianapolis Mayor Joe Hogsett. “We know there are actionable steps we can take today to ensure the health of our community tomorrow – and thanks to the Indianapolis Sustainability Summit, we will have a united front in our city working toward a brighter future.”

Hosted at IUPUI’s Campus Center on March 28, 2018, the summit will highlight the impact of collaborative efforts in advancing sustainability and building a stronger Indianapolis community. The day’s agenda will feature break-out sessions facilitated by experts from throughout the Midwest and a lunch program that will bring back the Indianapolis Sustainability Awards. The summit will kick off with a keynote address delivered by Mark “Puck” Mykleby, former special strategic assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

“In support of our commitment to the community—a strategic priority at IUPUI—we are proud to partner with the city of Indianapolis to host the Indianapolis Sustainability Summit and we look forward to working together to sharpen our focus on sustainability for our campus and the city more broadly. We also appreciate this important opportunity for our students, faculty, and staff to be part of a city-wide conversation advancing the health and resilience of our communities and campus,” said IUPUI Chancellor Nasser Paydar.

This day-long gathering, which is open to the public, will provide an opportunity to learn about tactics to improve neighborhood health, increase business efficiency, and work toward a more united community. Neighborhood and business leaders, residents, and non-profit organizations are all encouraged to participate.

Tickets may be purchased [here](#), with early bird pricing available until February 11. In an effort to make the event accessible for all, a number of subsidized tickets are available and can be requested [here](#).

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### **About Mark “Puck” Mykleby**

Mark “Puck” Mykleby is the former special strategic assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, where he developed a concept to integrate the resources of America’s public, private, and civil sectors to capture emerging opportunities and address the complex challenges facing the U.S. and the world. Mark graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1987 and served as a Marine Officer for 24 years. After retiring from the Marine Corps in 2011, Mark went on to create the Strategic Innovation Lab at Case Western Reserve. He currently serves as the co-founder and chief strategist for Long Haul Capital Group, where he works to grow the foundation of a sustainable American economy.