

## **Global Hemp Innovation Center**

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## Welcome to the Hemp Industrial Materials Supply Chain Workshop!

On behalf of the Global Hemp Innovation Center at Oregon State University, we extend a warm welcome to you! We are truly honored to host you for the workshop this week!

Your expertise in the hemp and materials industry is invaluable to our work. We are excited to learn from your insights and experiences. As a relatively new commodity and emergent industry, there is much that can be gained by leaders from North America and New Zealand meeting together and learning from one another. Native American and Māori partners interested in biobased manufacturing have also been invited to participate. The workshop will provide an excellent opportunity for business networking and cultural exchange, not only across the Pacific Ocean but with Indigenous business developers as well.

This workshop offers a unique opportunity to share knowledge, network with industry leaders, and explore potential collaborations. We will focus on biopolymers/composites, building materials, carbon, and paper/packaging sectors through facilitated discussions with key industry participants.

Beyond the workshop, we hope you will have time to explore Oregon State University and the city of Corvallis.

Thank you again for sharing your knowledge and expertise with us. We look forward to a fruitful and productive week together.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require assistance.

Sincerely,

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