THE 5TH ANNUAL

ELECTRIC MOBILITY SUMMIT

TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2026 TO
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2026
THE GEORGIA CENTER | ATHENS, GA

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POWERING THE NEXT ERA OF MOBILITY: FROM EARLY MOMENTUM TO MARKET MATURITY

The electric and autonomous mobility transition has entered a new phase. After several years defined by rapid technological progress and expanding investment, the focus is now shifting toward scaling infrastructure, strengthening supply chains, and integrating new technologies into real-world transportation systems.

Across the **Southeast Battery Belt, the region has emerged as one of the most important centers** of electric vehicle manufacturing, autonomous vehicle deployment and battery innovation in North America. **Georgia sits at the center of this rapidly evolving ecosystem.**

The GNEM Electric Mobility Summit serves as **Georgia's premier cross-sector convening for the electric and advanced mobility ecosystem,** bringing together leaders from industry, government, research institutions, and workforce development organizations.

Over two days, the summit connects automakers, battery manufacturers, utilities, policymakers, mobility innovators, and academic leaders to explore the technologies, partnerships, and policies shaping the next era of transportation.

Together, we are **powering the next era of mobility.**

SUMMIT SCHEDULE | APRIL 14, 2026 - DAY 1

8:30am | Pecan Tree Galleria
Breakfast, Networking + Posters Set-up

9:00am | Mahler Hall
Georgia Network for Electric Mobility (GNEM) Partner Group & Board Meeting
Closed Door session; By Invitation Only

10:00am | Mahler Hall
Welcome & Opening Remarks

- Alton Standifer — Vice Provost & Chair, E-mobility Executive Council, The University of Georgia
- Alessandro Orso — Dean, College of Engineering, The University of Georgia
- Jaime Camelio — Executive Director, Georgia Network for Electric Mobility (GNEM), The University of Georgia

10:10am | Mahler Hall
Plenary — GA State of e-Mobility 2026

- Gabrielle Pierre — Director of Strategy & Partnerships, Editor in Chief, Georgia Network for Electric Mobility (GNEM)

10:35am | Mahler Hall
From Mine to Motor: Critical Minerals, Recycling & Securing the Battery Supply Chain

- **Moderator:**
  - Ryan Powers — The University of Georgia School of Public and International Affairs Associate Professor and Benson-Bertsch CITS Director; Georgia Network for Electric Mobility (GNEM) Research Partner Group Lead
- **Speakers:**
  - Brian Skalovsky — Director of Battery Recycling, Cox Automotive Inc.
  - Jacob Clayton — CEO, SAGINT Inc.
  - Adam Milewski — Professor & Department Head, Department of Geology, The University of Georgia

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11:15am | Networking Salons - Second Floor

- **Mine to Motor (Critical Minerals and Supply Chain) Networking Room | Room K**
  - Adam Milewski — Professor & Department Head, Department of Geology, The University of Georgia
  - Ryan Powers — The University of Georgia School of Public and International Affairs Professor and CITS Director
- **Fleet Electrification Networking Room | Room L**
  - Julia Dietz — Public Service Faculty, Carl Vinson Institute of Government, The University of Georgia
  - Sumner Pomeroy — Executive Director, Clean Cities Georgia
- **Autonomous Mobility Networking Room | Room F**
  - Yu Wang — Lead Autonomy Engineer, May Mobility
  - Tejas Santanam — Head of Research and AI Product Manager, Beep Inc.
- **Charging Infrastructure Networking Room | Room G**
  - Lynn Abdouni — Associate Research Scientist, College of Engineering, The University of Georgia
  - Folashade Alao — Principal Transportation Planner, Atlanta Regional Commission

Coffee, tea and beverage service available on Second Floor in Kellogg Concourse for duration of Networking Salon Block

12:00pm | Magnolia Ballroom

Lunch Keynote:

- Arthur Tripp Jr. — Vice President, Economic Development, Georgia Power

12:30pm | Magnolia Ballroom

Lunch Fireside Chat — Market Shifts & Dealerships

- **Moderator:**
  - Anne Blair — Vice President of Policy, Electrification Coalition
- **Speakers:**
  - Zohaib Rahim — Senior Manager, Economic & Industry Insights, Cox Automotive Inc.
  - Grené Baranco — Operator, Audi Forsyth; Former NADA Committee Member, EVP, Mercedes Benz Buckhead

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1:05pm | Concurrent Panel Sessions

- **Fleet Electrification Across Sectors | Mahler Hall**
  - **Moderator:**
    - Asher Dozier — Energy Engagement Lead, Carl Vinson Institute of Government, The University of Georgia
  - **Speakers:**
    - Jenna Van Harpen — Vice President of National Fleet Sales, Blue Bird Corporation
    - Jonathan Colbert — CEO & Managing Partner, Fractal Fractional Leadership
    - Justin Ellis — Operational Strategy and Impact Analysis Manager, The University of Georgia Office of Sustainability
    - Eric Smith — Fleet Sales Lead, Alpitronic

- **Innovation in EV & Battery Fire Safety | Masters Hall**
  - **Moderator:**
    - Cynthia Curry — Senior Director, Clean Tech Ecosystem, Metro Atlanta Chamber
  - **Speakers:**
    - Brian Morin — CEO & Founder, Soteria Battery Innovation Group
    - Ron Butler — CEO & Founder, Energy Storage Safety Products International (ESSPI)
    - Jake Hopkins — VP of Power Supply, Flint Energies (FLINT EMC)
    - John R. Seydel — Deputy Chief Sustainability Officer, City of Atlanta, Mayor's Office of Sustainability and Resilience

1:50pm | 10 minute - Coffee Break

Beverages included

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2:00pm | Concurrent Panel Sessions

- **Fuel Stops & Power Plazas: Rethinking Convenience Infrastructure | Mahler Hall**
  - **Moderator:**
    - Ryan Kerzner — Senior Associate, Merlin Group
  - **Speakers:**
    - Jason Powers — Senior VP of Sales Programs & Emerging Technologies, EVerged
    - Jessie Hensley — President & Co-Founder, PowerUp America
    - Chris Kaiser — Director of Sales, EVSI, SiteLogIQ

- **Autonomous Mobility: The New EV Frontier | Masters Hall**
  - **Moderator:**
    - Emily Heintz — Executive Director, Curiosity Lab
  - **Speakers:**
    - Prashant Doshi — Executive Director, Institute for AI, University of Georgia
    - Tejas Santanam — Head of Research and AI Product Manager, Beep Inc.
    - Justin Hatch — Assistant State Traffic Engineer, Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT)
    - Yu Wang — Lead Autonomy Engineer, May Mobility

2:50pm | 15 minute - Refreshment Break

Food and Beverages included

3:05pm | Mahler Hall

Keynote Panel

C-Suite Power Panel: EVs and the Future of U.S. Mobility

- **Moderator:**
  - Andrew Capezzuto — Director of Corporate Affairs, Rivian
- **Speakers:**
  - Joe George — President, Mobility, Cox Automotive Inc.
  - Stuart Countess — President & CEO, Kia Georgia

4:00-5:00pm | Pecan Tree Galleria

Reception + Posters + Exhibitors

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9:00am | Mahler Hall
Welcome Back + Overview

- Jaime Camelio — Executive Director, Georgia Network for Electric Mobility (GNEM), The University of Georgia

9:10am | Mahler Hall
Georgia Network for Electric Mobility (GNEM) Partner Groups Lightning Updates

9:20am | Mahler Hall
Factory of the Future: AI & Automation in Automotive Manufacturing

- **Moderator:**
  - Stephan Durham — Assistant Dean, The University of Georgia College of Engineering, Georgia Network for Electric Mobility (GNEM) Academic and Workforce Partner Group Lead
- **Speakers:**
  - Beshoy Morkos — Director, Manufacturing Living Labs, The University of Georgia
  - Manash Saha — Head of IT Solutions, Hyundai AutoEver America, supporting Kia Georgia

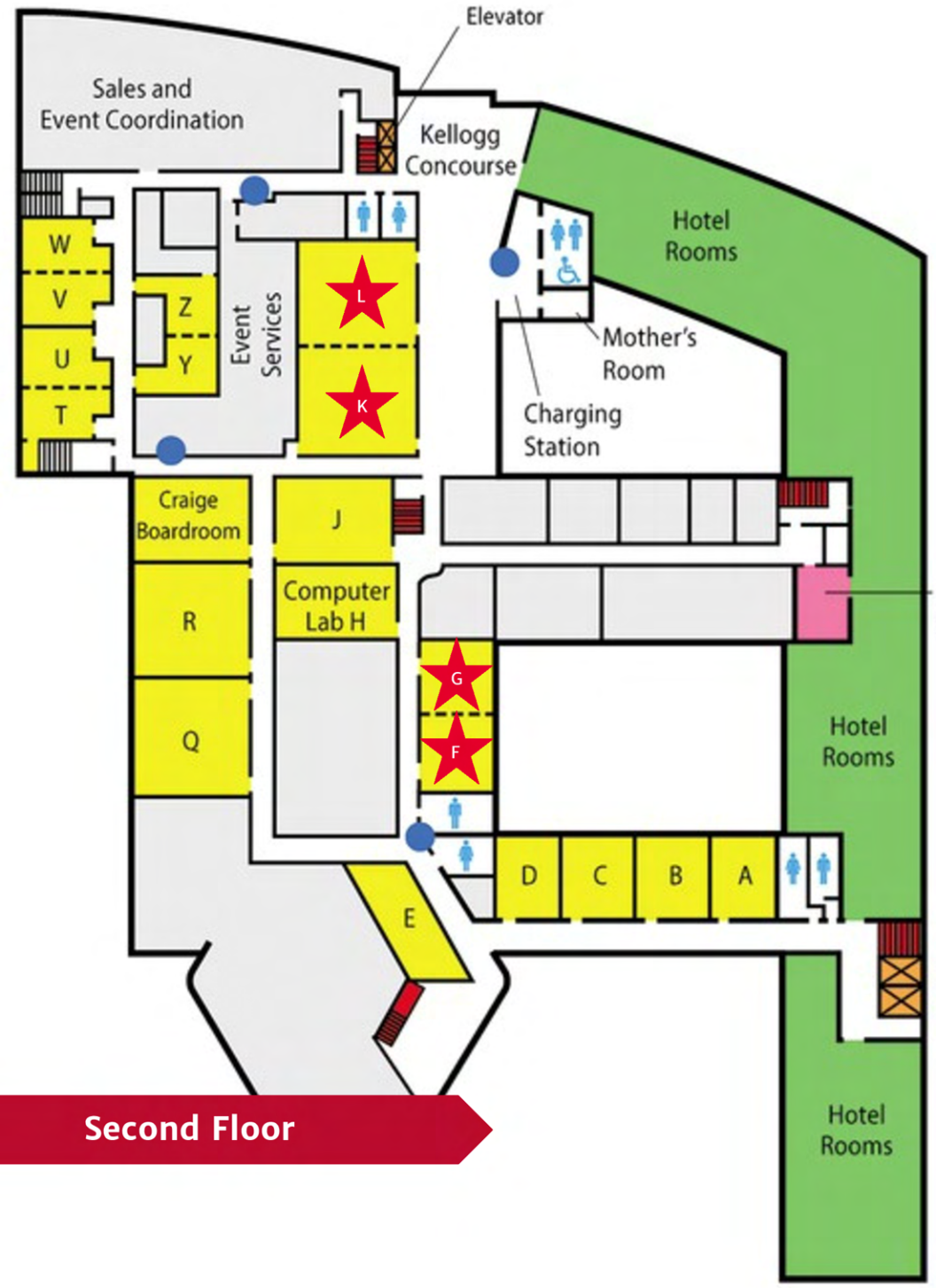
10:10am-12:00pm | Lumpkin Plaza and Indoor Galleria
Live Tech & Testbed Demos (Lucid, Rivian, Kia, and Tesla vehicles on display)
AI & Manufacturing Living Labs Demos (Humanoid robots, Robotic arm etc.)
Fire Safety Hardware Showcase (ELSA - liquid nitrogen battery fire suppression demonstration, and other technologies)

Continential breakfast, coffee, tea and beverages served from 10:15 until 11:00 am
ELSA Liquid nitrogen battery fire suppresion live demo at 10.30 am in Lumpkin Plaza

GEORGIA CENTER MAP

First Floor

Second Floor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