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Nagurney to speak on disaster recovery and mitigation in Washington

Anna Nagurney, the John F. Smith Memorial Professor at the Isenberg School of Management, is an invited panelist on "Disaster Recovery and Mitigation Planning and Resilience" that will take place on Jan. 26 as part of the Transportation Research Board (TRB) meeting in Washington, D.C.



About 10,000 transportation professionals from around the world are expected to attend the 90th annual TRB meeting.

The panel is sponsored by the Planning and Environment - Group; the Policy and Organization - Group, and the Committee on Critical Transportation Infrastructure Protection.

Transportation systems throughout the world are greatly affected by natural disasters and human-created events. These systems are critical for daily activities and the economy. The magnitude of the U.S. transportation infrastructure makes protecting it extremely challenging and costly. This special session highlights innovative approaches to disaster recovery planning and assesses improving transportation infrastructure resilience to extreme events.

Joining Nagurney on the panel will be Jeffrey L. Western, Western Management and Consulting, LLC, Rae Zimmerman, New York University, Sujith Kollamthodi, AEA Group, United Kingdom; and Herby Lissade, California Department of Transportation, with Pamela Murray-Tuite, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, presiding.

The title of Nagurney's panel presentation is "Building Resilience into Fragile Transportation Networks in an Era of Increasing Disasters."

The TRB is one of six major divisions of the National Research Council, which serves as an independent adviser to the federal government and others on scientific and technical questions of national importance, and which is jointly administered by the National Academy of Sciences, National Academy of Engineering and the Institute of Medicine.

The mission of the Transportation Research Board is to provide leadership in transportation innovation and progress through research and information exchange, conducted within a setting that is objective, interdisciplinary, and multimodal. The board is supported by state transportation departments, federal agencies including the component administrations of the U.S. Department of Transportation, and other organizations and individuals interested in the development of transportation.

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