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Summary

Co-founder of and Senior Partner at Meridian Institute, with 26 years of experience in the conflict resolution field. Demonstrated expertise facilitating national and international policy dialogues, negotiations, and internal and multi-organizational strategy development processes. A recognized leader in the field of facilitation and consensus building, with expertise in the areas of agriculture and biotechnology; chemicals, pesticides, and toxic substances; climate change, energy, and air quality; environmental cleanup and waste management; forests, ecosystems, biodiversity, and natural resources; health; nanotechnology; science and technology; security and homeland security; and sustainable communities, corporations, development. Holds Bachelor of Art degrees in Environmental Studies and Economics from the University of California Santa Cruz, and a Master's in Urban and Environmental Planning from the University of Virginia.

Meridian Experience

Meridian Institute, Dillon, Colorado, 1999 – Present

Meridian Institute designs and facilitates collaborative processes that help diverse parties identify critical issues, build relationships and trust, construct innovative solutions, and implement durable decisions. The collaborative processes address challenges at the local, state, national, and international levels, and involve leaders from government agencies, industry, nongovernmental organizations, and international institutions. Meridian also assists organizations in conducting strategy development and planning.

Senior Partner and Co-Founder

Co-founder of Meridian Institute in 1997, along with four partners. Design, manage, and lead policy dialogues, negotiations, and strategy development projects involving teams of facilitators. Conduct convening assessments, design processes, raise funds, manage budgets, plan and facilitate meetings, help participants develop consensus documents, and conduct implementation activities such as press releases and briefings. Also, manage Meridian's Washington Office and take part in strategic planning, business and program development, finance, IT, human resources, and marketing efforts for the organization.

- Mr. Mealey's career has included work on a variety of public policy areas, with a recent focus on climate change, health care, nanotechnology, and homeland security policy, but with extensive experience with environmental, natural resources, forest, and agricultural policy as well.
- Projects have spanned a range of geographic scales from local site-specific disputes, to domestic state and national efforts, to international projects that are of a global scale.
- Mr. Mealey has designed and facilitated a wide range of processes included intensive agreement-seeking multi-party negotiations, helping to forge new alliances and coalitions to influence domestic policy, and international dialogues on global issues that involve high-level representatives from numerous countries and international organizations.

Previous Experience

The Keystone Center,
Keystone, Colorado 1989–1997

Associate Director, Science and Public Policy Program, and Senior Associate

Co-managed a variety of program- and personnel-related functions and issues, including the development and tracking of a \$3.5 million annual budget, hiring and project staffing decisions, and overall program-level quality control and management. Also, served as project director and lead convenor, facilitator, and mediator of negotiations and policy dialogues aimed at resolving a wide variety of issues.

The Conservation Foundation (Now Resolve, Inc.),

Washington, DC 1986–1989

Associate, Program on Environmental Dispute Resolution

Provided neutral, third-party mediation and facilitation services in environmental, natural resource, and land use disputes. Conducted negotiation training seminars and research on innovative methods for resolving environmental conflicts. Served as editor of the organization's newsletter for several issues that addressed public lands conflict management.

ICF Incorporated,

Washington, DC 1985-1986

Associate

Provided policy analysis, meeting facilitation, and conflict management services to public- and private-sector clients.

University of Virginia,

Charlottesville, Virginia 1983-1985

Associate/Graduate Assistant, Institute for Environmental Negotiation

Provided mediation assistance in negotiations over uranium mining, water treatment, and land development disputes in Virginia. Investigated environmental disputes for mediation potential. Taught graduate-level courses on environmental dispute resolution.

The Center for Collaborative Problem Solving,

San Francisco, California 1981-1983

Associate

Provided strategic planning and meeting facilitation services to public- and private-sector clients.

Education

University of Virginia, Department of Urban and Environmental Planning

Charlottesville, Virginia

University of California

Santa Cruz, California

M.S., Urban and Environmental Planning 1985

B.A., Economics and Environmental Studies 1981

Projects Completed

When connected to the Internet, click on the project name for a full description.

Selected project highlights are provided on the following pages.

Agriculture and Biotechnology

- International Dialogue on Plant Genetic Resources
- International Workshop on Sustainable Food Security
- Joint Meeting of the CGIAR Board Chairs and Center Directors

Chemicals, Pesticides, and Toxic Substances

- Dow Louisiana and Shintech Facility Siting
- Endocrine Disruptor Screening and Testing Advisory Committee
- Voluntary Children's Health Chemical Testing Program

Climate Change, Energy, and Air Quality

- U.S. Climate Action Partnership
- Green Group Climate and Energy Committee
- Greenhouse Gas Accounting Forum
- High-Level Transatlantic Workshop on Climate Change
- Senate Environment and Public Works Committee Multi-Pollutant Process

Environmental Cleanup and Waste Management

- De Minimus Waste Rulemaking Workshops
- DOE Central Internet Database
- EPA Mine Waste Policy Dialogue
- EPA Superfund Municipal Initiative
- Federal Facility Environmental Restoration Policy Dialogue Committee
- Hanford Advisory Board Convening Assessment and Facilitation
- Interstate Transportation of Solid and Hazardous Waste Meeting
- National Commission on Superfund
- National Hazardous Waste Management Strategies Dialogue
- National Stakeholder Meeting on Storage and Disposal of Spent Fuel from Foreign Research Reactors
- National Stakeholder Meeting on the Waste Isolation Pilot Project
- Rocky Flats Cleanup Agreement
- Superfund Implementation Policy Dialogue

Forests, Ecosystems, Biodiversity, and Natural Resources

- Atlanta Forest Leadership Forum
- Collaboration on Indicators for the Nation's Environment

- Comparative Analysis of the Forest Stewardship Council and Sustainable Forestry Initiative
- First Approximation Report on Criteria and Indicators of Sustainable Forest Management
- First International Dialogue on Forest Certification
- Second International Dialogue on Forest Certification
- International Dialogue on Criteria and Indicators for the Conservation and Sustainable Management of Temperate and Boreal Forests
- Land Management Planning – National Transition Workshop for the 2004 Planning Rule
- Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue on Roadless Area Conservation
- National Environmental Policy Act Pilots Project
- Nature Conservancy International Leadership Council
- NCSSF Global Markets Forum
- North American Consultation for the World Biodiversity Conservation Strategy
- Policy Dialogue on Implementation of the Convention on the Regulation of Antarctic Mineral Resource Activities
- Roundtable on Sustainable Forests
- Targhee National Forest Land Exchange Mediation Assessment
- USDA Forest Service Diversity Options Workshop
- Workshop on Assessing the Environmental Outcomes of Community-Based Collaboratives
- Workshops on RPA Program and Forest Plan Implementation
- Weyerhaeuser Sustainability Listening and Dialogue Session

Health

- Expert Panel Workshop on the Role of Environmental Factors in the Onset and Progression of Puberty
- Health Coverage Coalition for the Uninsured
- Public Health Leadership Initiative
- Health Sector Coordinating Council

Nanotechnology

- Dialogue Series on Nanotechnology and Federal Regulations
- Global Dialogue on Nanotechnology and the Poor: Opportunities and Risks (GDNP)
- GDNP: International Workshop on Nanotechnology, Water, and Development
- International Council on Nanotechnology Inaugural Meeting

- International Dialogue on Responsible Research and Development of Nanotechnology
- Rockefeller Foundation Meetings on Nanotechnology

Science and Technology

- Ecological Society of America Workshop on Data Sharing

Security and Homeland Security

- Critical Infrastructure Protection Retreat
- Defense and the Environment Initiative

Sustainable Communities, Corporations, and Development

- Annapolis Hotel Development Dispute
- EPA Office of Air and Radiation Strategic Policy Development

- EPA Smart Growth Awards Meeting
- Fire Island Management Plan
- Forest Trends Strategic Planning
- NAS/Architect of the Capitol Meeting
- National and Community Sustainability Indicators Forum
- NatureServe/Association for Biodiversity Information Strategic Planning
- Solomon's Island Design Charette
- St. Mary's County Affordable Housing Task Force
- U.S. Scenarios Workshops of the World Business Council on Sustainable Development
- Workshop on Integrating Land Use Planning and Biodiversity
- World Bank Public-Private Infrastructure Assistance Facility Meeting Issues Mapping