Coastal Adaptation and Resilience in Tampa Bay

SAVE THE DATE

September 22-23, 2015
Location: University of South Florida Saint Petersburg
Room: University Student Center (USC Ballroom)
200 6th Ave South, St. Petersburg, FL 33701

This 2-day workshop, hosted by the Initiative on Coastal Adaptation and Resilience (ICAR), USF St. Petersburg and the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council ONE BAY Resilient Communities Working Group, will inform participants of the work underway to address vulnerabilities to coastal hazards and build regional resiliency. Through a series of facilitated discussions between experts from South Florida and the Tampa Bay region, participants will explore lessons learned from adaptation strategies currently being applied in these coastal regions of the state and contemplate how to move forward building places that can withstand the effects of a changing climate.

Workshop Objectives:
- Explore the existing and future regional approach for Tampa Bay for climate change adaptation
- Foster a dialog between local elected officials and academia on how to best address the regional impacts of climate change
- Link academic and scientific research to adaptation policy and implementation
- Identify research, data and policy gaps and needs in order to create a focused research plan
- Evaluate the need for regional climate adaptation plan or compact-style agreement in Tampa Bay

Workshop Topics:
- Analyzing Coastal Climate Hazards
- Regional Responses to Climate Change
- Assessing Vulnerabilities and Impacts: Health, Habitat and Transportation
- Implementing Adaptation Strategies: City and Regional Levels
- Communicating Risk to the Public: Strategies and Challenges
- Adaptation Strategies in Tampa Bay: Identifying data, policy and research gaps

Who Should Attend:
- Citizens, Students & Researchers
- Elected Officials & Government Administrators

Benefits:
- Network and share information with other individuals engaged in coastal resilience planning throughout Florida
- Shape research agendas and future climate adaptation efforts in the Tampa Bay region and beyond

For additional workshop details (program, logistics, registration etc.) – please visit http://www.usfsp.edu/icar/upcoming-events/ or http://onebay.org/.