

## **NATIONAL MEETINGS: HOW NATIONAL AND TOPICAL MEETINGS ARE ORGANIZED AND EXECUTED—PANEL – NEW SESSION TITLE**

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ANS national meetings and topical meetings are a major activity undertaken by the society every year that thousands of ANS members participate in. However, very few national members actually get exposed to, or learn about, the actual processes, teamwork, and months of effort required to successfully pull off an ANS national meeting or topical meeting. Expert volunteers and experienced staff members that have participated in almost all aspects of the national meeting and topical meeting process will discuss their past experiences and lessons learned and will offer advice on what it takes to achieve success. Attendees should come away with a better understanding of how ANS meetings work as well as potentially learning about areas within the meeting process where they might participate and/or want to learn more.

**Panelists:** Paula Cappelletti (*Director of Meetings, ANS*)  
Ray Klann (*Cochair, ANS National Program Committee*)  
Vince Gilbert (*Past General Chair for the Utility Working  
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