

#### **Session 4: Best Management Practices in Ornamental Landscapes**

3:35—3:55 p.m. Pesticide Regulation and Stewardship for Pollinator Protection, Caydee Savinelli, Pollinator & IPM Stewardship Lead, Syngenta & Frank Wong, Senior Regulatory Affairs Consultant, Bayer CropScience

Abstract – The Pollinator Health Task Force issued the report “National Strategy to Promote the Health of Honey Bees and Other Pollinators” in May, 2015. As part of this strategy, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued “Guidance for Assessing Pesticide Risks to Bees”. There is a new tiered approach that addresses new and existing studies to assess pesticide risks to bees. Pesticide registrants have been conducting these studies which provide data for a scientific risk benefit assessment. In addition to regulatory studies, stewardship activities from the registrants and state Managed Pollinator Protection Plans (MP3’s) will be addressed in this presentation.