George P. Nassos Biography

George P. Nassos is the Principal of George P. Nassos and Associates, a firm dedicated to consulting in environmental and social sustainability and renewable energy. He is also President of Sustainable Energy Systems, LLC, a firm that markets and sells waste-to-energy technology for AgriPower. Through his two companies, Nassos collaborates with Intelligent Generation to develop a new solar technology that combines solar panels, batteries, and proprietary software for a more efficient system. He is also Director – Sustainability Services Practice at CharterMast Partners where they have developed a technique to show how certain sustainability initiatives can increase a company's shareholder value.

Nassos was an Industry Associate Professor and Director of the M.S. in Environmental Management and Sustainability program at the Stuart School of Business, Illinois Institute of Technology from 1997 through 2011. He was also Director of the Center for Sustainable Enterprise, a center founded at Stuart to be a resource for projects directed toward achieving sustainability in Chicago's economic community. Under Dr. Nassos' leadership, in 1999 the Program added the concept of sustainability into the curriculum and pursued an interdisciplinary approach that integrated environmental, social, legal, technical and economic concerns in the classroom. As a result, the program has been recognized by the World Resources Institute and the Aspen Institute's "Beyond Grey Pinstripes" study as one of the top such programs in the world.

Prior to joining IIT-Stuart, Dr. Nassos spent 16 years in the chemical industry with International Minerals & Chemical Corp, which included being the Managing Director of IMC's Dutch and German subsidiaries over a four-year period. He then spent the next 16 years in the environmental industry working for the Chemical Waste Management subsidiary of Waste Management, Inc. His last position with Waste Management was General Manager of the Fiber Fuels Division of the Cemtech LP subsidiary, and was responsible for developing a business for the production of a solid fuel from renewable resources (such as non-recyclable fibers and plastic film), which was used as a coal substitute.

In addition to the above activities, he is devoting time to teaching sustainable strategies for companies to create a competitive advantage without negatively impacting the environment. As Director of the Center for Sustainable Enterprise, he led numerous research projects; organized conferences, seminars and short courses; and helped found the Chicago Sustainable Business Alliance. Dr. Nassos has also conducted short courses on sustainable strategies internationally. His research activities include developing small wind turbine technology and other renewable energy technologies.

Other environmental activities include being a member of the Energy, Environment and Economics subcommittee of the Archdiocesan Advisory Committee for Science and Technology, an advisory committee to the Archbishop of the Greek Orthodox Church of America. In June 2012, he participated in the Halki Summit (http://halkisummit.org/) in Turkey, one of 45 participants invited by His All Holiness Patriarch Bartholomew, also known as the "Green Patriarch". For the past eight years, Nassos has been writing a column for a monthly newspaper titled "A Sustainable Environment: Our Obligation to Protect God's Gift" as well as for his blog.

His other memberships include:

- Board of Directors
 - o Air & Waste Management Association, Lake Michigan section, Chairman 2013
 - o Ambassador Organics
 - o American Quality Schools
 - o Orthodox Christian Alumni Association at UIUC
- Board of Advisors
 - o Green Choice Bank
 - o Greener Dealz
 - o Institute for Environmental Science & Policy at UIC
 - o Urban Ponics
 - "Decision Making in Climate Change" Certificate Program, Northwestern University, U of Washington, University of British Columbia, and University of California at Irvine.
 - o Center for Sustainability and Excellence

Dr. Nassos has earned a B.S. from the University of Illinois, an M.S. and Ph.D. from Northwestern University all in Chemical Engineering, and an MBA from Northwestern University.

More information on Dr. Nassos can be found at www.georgepnassos.com.