

Toward Sustainable Communities: An Introduction to The Natural Step (TNS)

Friday, December 16

12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Room 1028, Rowe Management Building

Dalhousie University

6100 University Avenue, Halifax

Light lunch included. Please bring your reusable mug. Free public presentation. All Welcome!

A presentation on The Natural Step (TNS) Framework, a methodology for planning that provides an elegant, rigorous, science-based understanding of sustainability together with a tested planning approach to translate that understanding into practice. Participants will learn about the principles of the TNS Framework and how it is being applied in communities and businesses in Canada and around the world. Organizations using the TNS Framework include: the Regional Municipality of Whistler, the Town of Canmore, Interface Inc., and more than 60 municipalities in Sweden. Come and learn about this important tool for sustainability - we all can play a role for a sustainable future. A not-to-miss presentation!

Speaker: Chad Park, B.Comm., M.Sc. - As Sustainability Advisor with TNS Canada, Chad works with organizations and communities to support the use of the TNS Framework as a tool for sustainability planning and education. A past National President of AIESEC Canada, his background also includes sustainability-related experience with Mountain Equipment Co-op, the Canadian Eco-Industrial Network, Sustainability Asset Management, the ZERI Foundation, and VanCity Credit Union.

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