

GROUNDBREAKERS 2025: Prologis CEO, Secretary Burgum Headline Forum Focusing on Energy Reliability, AI and the Future of Global Supply Chains

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 30, 2025 /PRNewswire/ -- At a moment when energy reliability and AI are reshaping global supply chains, [Prologis, Inc.](#) convened leaders from business, government and academia at its fifth annual GROUNDBREAKERS™ forum in Los Angeles.



Hamid R. Moghadam, co-founder and CEO of Prologis was joined by **U.S. Secretary of the Interior Doug Burgum** for the event's opening keynote on American infrastructure and energy policy.

"Energy dominance is energy abundance to power the next generation of technology, like AI," said Burgum. "The National Energy Dominance Council is to help companies like Prologis and all other companies to move faster. To have a prosperous economy and achieve growth, we need reliable and affordable energy."

Moghadam added: "This is about *and*, not about *or*. We don't need this contrast between renewables and traditional forms of energy. I think we need it all and then some."

Burgum cautioned leaders on underestimating AI's disruption: "If all you've ever done is a search using ChatGPT, you've got to do more. If you're in a leadership position, you don't have anything more important than understanding how this is going to affect you, your business and every job. Otherwise, you risk ending up in the Kodak Hall of Fame."

PANEL HIGHLIGHTS:

Global Trade: **Eugene Seroka** (Port of Los Angeles), **Yossi Sheffi** (MIT) and **Dan Letter** (Prologis) had an energetic dialogue on goods movement, trade policy and global supply chain resilience.

"Today's supply chain isn't just about low cost or supporting revenue—it's increasingly about resilience and sustainability," said Sheffi. "Resilience costs money. I often ask business leaders: do you buy insurance? Building resilience is better than insuring against failure."

The Future of Energy: **Joseph Dominguez** (Constellation), **Rebecca Kujawa** (NextEra Energy Resources) and **Susan Uthayakumar** (Prologis) explored energy reliability—a [top concern](#) for global supply chain executives.

"In the past, customers often had one group in charge of infrastructure and a separate group in charge of energy," said Kujawa. "Business decisions were led by infrastructure teams, with energy needs treated as an afterthought. That separation needs far more integration today."

Delivery & Autonomy: **Olivia Hu** (Uber Freight), **Dave Merrill** (Elroy Air), **Lee White** (U.S. Department of Transportation) and **Henrik Holland** (Prologis) discussed how autonomous systems are reshaping the movement of people and goods. "If we're not ready network-wise, from a cost competitive point, we've got a global disadvantage," said White. "So, how do we unleash American innovation? Make it move faster, autonomously and leverage data."

Food: **Christopher Jane** (Proper Good), **Evan Harrison** (Kiss the Ground) and **Dave Puglia** (Western Growers) sat down with **Scott Marshall** (Prologis) to explore adaptive and sustainable food systems. "The speed of iteration is where food needs to go. Big companies do things very well, but they are just not nimble. The customer is changing every quarter," said Jane.

2028 Summer Olympic Games: **Gene Sykes** (U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Committee) and **Matt Wikstrom** (U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Properties) joined **Will O'Donnell** (Prologis) to unpack the scale and precision required to put on one of the world's most complex events. "This will be the biggest Olympic Games in the history of the Olympic movement by a significant factor," said Sykes.

Space: **Dr. Peggy Whitson** (Axiom Space), **Mary O'Brien** (O'Brien Strategies), **Jeannie Leavitt** (U.S. Air Force), **Debbie**

Senesky (Stanford University) and **Dr. J. William Demarco** (Air University) discussed how space and defense are shaping resilience, security and commerce on Earth. "I think innovation and collaboration have to be linked together," said O'Brien. "It's about finding connections between what industry is developing and what national security requires."

Comedian and author **Trevor Noah** closed the event in a conversation with Prologis' **Tracy Ward**, covering comedy, technology and life.

The complete sessions are available on demand at <https://groundbreakers.prologis.com/> and on Prologis' *Moving the World* podcast on [Spotify](#), [Apple Podcasts](#) and [YouTube](#).

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