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Deb Italiano, Founder & Chair of Sustainable Jersey City (SJC), is also the President and a member of the Board of Directors for Sustainable Jersey City (SJC), an education non-profit established in 2011 focused on sustainable community, resiliency and climate action planning. She is passionate about urban sustainability and the power of community networks. She has spearheaded SJC's non-profit mission since 2011, which is committed to developing a broad platform for community engagement, bringing resources to stakeholder groups for green neighborhood initiatives and structuring a framework for ongoing civic leadership and sustainability focused educational opportunities.

Deb is a LEED AP, and Managing Principal of Merintra Co., LLC, a strategic business and market development consulting firm based in Jersey City that she founded in 2003. Prior to founding Merintra she spent 15 years on Wall Street leading large scale change initiatives related to governance and strategy alignment for both Morgan Stanley and JP Morgan Chase. She received her BS from Pace University in New York City.