ND EPSCoR State Conference - April 22nd, 2015
Holiday Inn - 3803 13th Ave S - Fargo 7:30 a.m.- 3:30 p.m.
"INSPIRE-ND (Innovative and Strategic Program Initiatives for Research and Education-North Dakota)"

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Heidi Baxter Lauffer, Ph.D., Director, The Wisconsin Fast Plants Program, University of Wisconsin, Madison

"Building our capacity for tackling sustainability challenges by diversifying participation in STEM academics and careers."

Dr. Baxter Lauffer’s interests and work are grounded in life and Earth science conceptual understanding and include researching and supporting collaborative models for systemic science education reform and holistic approaches to professional development for teachers and science leaders. She leads the Program’s involvement in three large-scale efforts: POSOH, a 5-million dollar USDA-funded project in partnership with the College of Menominee Nation to develop a model for designing place-based learning about bioenergy and sustainability; Inquiry for the 21st Century, a statewide project working with elementary teachers and teacher leaders; GLBRC, an education and outreach partnership in support of the Great Lakes Bioenergy Research Center’s work.