**Katie Mehnert, CEO and Founder, ALLY Energy (she/her)**

**Ambassador, US Department of Energy**

**Representative, US National Petroleum Council**

The modern architect of the energy workforce, Katie Mehnert is the Founder and CEO of [ALLY Energy](https://www.allyenergy.com/)™ the community accelerating connections, jobs, and skills to drive an equitable energy transition. ALLY Energy is an inaugural member of Greentown Labs Houston, the top climate tech incubator in North America.

Ms. Mehnert has held global leadership roles with BP and Shell in safety and environment during periods of financial crisis, spills, divestment, and globalization. Her early career included assignments with Duke Energy, Entergy, and Enron. Her corporate path drove her to entrepreneurship to help energy companies prepare for the looming talent shortage and workforce diversity needs to address energy poverty and climate change.

She was [appointed Ambassador](https://www.energy.gov/articles/department-energy-announces-equity-energy-ambassadors-and-champions) to the United States Department of Energy in 2020 during the Trump Administration and has [testified before Congress](https://energycommerce.house.gov/committee-activity/hearings/hearing-on-clean-energy-infrastructure-and-the-workforce-to-build-it) on the clean energy workforce of the future. She was most recently appointed by the Biden Administration to the National Petroleum Council. She’s also an Energy Institute Fellow and an advisor to Clean Energy for America.

Ms. Mehnert is a speaker, author, and trusted source in the energy industry. She has been published in *Scientific American, Forbes, The Hill, CNBC, CNN*. Her first book, *Grow with the Flow,* was published in 2020. She most recentlyco-authored *Everyday Superheroes: Women in Energy*, a children’s book focused on energy careers. Mrs. Mehnert also has appeared in *Hot Money*, a documentary produced by Academy Award winning actor, Jeff Bridges and Retired NATO General Wesley Clark on the financial complexities of climate change and finance.

Katie is a four-time World Major marathoner having completed London, Chicago, New York and Berlin. Her husband is Vice President of Legal with Baker Hughes. They live with their 11-year-old daughter, Ally, in Houston.