CommNS Fall Event: Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. **What is the CommNS Fall Event?**  
The CommNS fall event is an annual event that highlights the community-based research and action of CommNS' partners and affiliates. It is an opportunity to learn more about our work over the past year and where we are headed, while learning valuable information about community topics. As many of our affiliates and partners attend, it is a great way to network with others involved in the CommNS.

2. **Where and when is this year's Fall Event?**  
The event will take place on UW-Madison’s campus on **Thursday, October 20th, 2016**. The morning sessions for community partners will be at the Urban League of Greater Madison, and the afternoon sessions for everyone will be at the School of Human Ecology on the UW-Madison campus.

3. **Who is invited? Who has attended in the past?**  
The CommNS steering committee, affiliates, focus area leads, and community partners are all invited. Undergraduate students in the CNPL major and graduate students in the Civil Society and Community Studies department are also encouraged to attend.

4. **What is the theme?**  
This year, we are working to unify all of our events to a specific thematic series surrounding the topic *What Does Democracy Look Like?*. We also always look to further engage community partners, affiliates, and the University in our efforts.

5. **Who is going to be the keynote speaker?**  
Dr. Kei Kawashima-Ginsberg, the director of Tisch College's Center for Information and Research on Civic Learning and Engagement (CIRCLE). She has extensive experience working on youth development through research on female political and leadership development, the social divide in youth extracurricular programs, and the diversity of Millennials.