

World Wide Views on Biodiversity

Expert & Citizen Assessment of Science & Technology (ECAST) network Welcomes you to the

USA launch of the World Wide Views on Biodiversity project

11AM – 2PM, Tuesday, June 5, 2012 Koshland Science Museum

Agenda

11:00	Welcome and Introduction to ECAST - Darlene Cavalier, Science Cheerleader
11:10	WWViews Process: From Global Warming to Biodiversity –
	Richard Worthington, Pomona College
11:20	CBD & COP 11: US Government Perspectives and Priorities –
	Barbara DeRosa-Joynt, US State Department
11:35	Biodiversity: A Non Governmental Perspective –
	John Fitzgerald, Society for Conservation Biology
11:45	Managing Deliberation and Advocacy in a Dialogue –
	Carolyn Lukensmeyer, AmericaSpeaks
12:15	Real-time Deliberation on National Priority Questions for Biodiversity –
	Netra Chhetri, Arizona State University
1:15	Dissemination and Amplifications of the Results –
	David Sittenfeld, Museum of Science, Boston
1:30	Reflections from the Participants –
	Gretchen Gano, University of Massachusetts Amherst
1:50	Technology Assessment and Citizen Participation –
	Naba Barkakati, US Government Accountability Office
1:55	Results and Next Steps – Jeanne Troy, Koshland Science Museum

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On Saturday September 15th, 2012, groups of one hundred ordinary citizens in Washington, Boston, Denver and Phoenix will join similar groups across the globe to learn about biodiversity issues, discuss important policy choices, make up their minds, and express their views. The citizen meetings will start at dawn in the Pacific and continue until dusk in the Americas. All meetings will have the same agenda and use the same approach in order to make results comparable and useful for policymakers who will gather the following month in India to discuss future measures for preserving biological diversity.

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ECAST is a national network of nonpartisan policy research institutions, universities, and science centers working together to conduct balanced technology assessments. Its mission is to support better-informed governmental and societal decisions on complex issues involving science and technology.

WWViews USA Alliance

Arizona Science Center; Colorado School of Mines; Consortium for Science, Policy and Outcomes at Arizona State University; Denver Botanical Garden; Koshland Science Museum; Loka Institute; Museum of Science Boston; Science & Technology Innovation Program at Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars; Science and Technology in Society Program at Virginia Tech; Science Cheerleader; Science, Technology and Society Initiative at the University of Massachusetts Amherst; and SciStarter.

WWViews-Biodiversity

- National citizen meetings around the globe, September 15, 2012
- Communication of results to key decision-makers, September –October 2012
- UN Biodiversity Conference, COP11, New Delhi, India, October 2012

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Speaker Biographies

Darlene Cavalier is the founder of Science Cheerleader.com, a site that works to inspire young women to pursue science and technology careers and encourage participation in scientific research. Cavalier holds a Masters degree from the University of Pennsylvania. She founded SciStarter.com and is a founding partner of ECAST. She is a senior strategist at Discover Magazine. She and her husband live in Philadelphia with their four young children.

Rick Worthington is Professor of Politics at Pomona College in Claremont, California, where he chairs the Program in Public Policy Analysis and the Science, Technology and Society Program of the Claremont Colleges. He is co-editor (with Mikko Rask and Minna Lammi) of Citizen Participation in Global Environmental Governance (Earthscan, 2011).

Barbara De Rosa-Joynt has been with the U.S. Department of State for 23 years. She is the Division Chief for Biodiversity in the Office of Ecology and Conservation (ENC) in the Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs (OES). Ms. De Rosa-Joynt earned a Masters Degree in International Policy and Practice and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in International Affairs, both from the George Washington University in Washington, DC. She is an avid gardener.

John M. Fitzgerald is the Policy Director for the Society for Conservation Biology (SCB). He led a delegation at the 2010 Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity and authored SCB's Recommendations to the Obama Administration in 2008 highlighting the key role that healthy ecosystems play in climate mitigation and adaptation. Fitzgerald has served in the Policy Bureau at the U.S. Agency for International Development and was chief counsel at Defenders of Wildlife for ten years.

Carolyn J. Lukensmeyer, Founder and President of AmericaSpeaks, has made her mark as an innovator in deliberative democracy, public administration, and organizational development. Prior to founding AmericaSpeaks, Carolyn served as Consultant to the White House Chief of Staff, as the Deputy Project Director for Management of the National Performance Review (NPR), and as Chief of Staff to Governor Richard F. Celeste of Ohio. She led her own successful management consulting firm for 14 years, working with public and private sector organizations on four continents.

Netra Chhetri is an Assistant Professor at the School of Geographical Sciences and Urban Planning and Consortium for Science, Policy and Outcomes at Arizona State University. Netra earned his Masters and Ph.D. in Geography (with minor in Demography) from Penn State University. Netra spent 15 years working in rural development in Nepal. Netra is a contributing author of the Fourth and Fifth Assessment Report (AR4 and AR5) of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC).

David Sittenfeld is manager of the Forum program at the Museum of Science, which engages citizens, policymakers, and scientists in deliberative conversations around emerging scientific and technological issues. He is a member of the executive committee for ECAST and of the program group for the Nanoscale Informal Science Education Network. David holds an undergraduate degree in education from Brandeis University and an M.S. in Urban and Regional Policy from Northeastern University.

Gretchen Gano is a lecturer in the Science Technology and Society Initiative at the Center for Public Policy and Administration at University of Massachusetts Amherst and a doctoral researcher in the Human and Social Dimensions of Science and Technology Program at Arizona State University. She holds a Masters in Public Policy with a concentration in Science and Technology Policy from Rutgers University.

Nabajyoti ("Naba") Barkakati is Chief Technologist at the Government Accountability Office (GAO) and co-director of GAO's Center for Science, Technology, and Engineering. He provides technical leadership and assistance on assessing software intensive systems, cybersecurity, and systems acquisition programs in the federal government. Naba holds a Ph.D. in electrical engineering from the University of Maryland at College Park. Naba is an internationally recognized computer book author with over 25 books to his credit.

Jeanne Braha Troy, Program Officer at Koshland Science Museum, leads program development and implementation. Her professional background is in the field of environmental education. Prior to joining the museum, Jeanne directed the Bridging the Watershed program, a partnership of the Alice Ferguson Foundation and the National Park Service. Jeanne has also held positions at the National Wildlife Federation. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology and Environmental Studies from Bryn Mawr College and a Master of Environmental Management from the Yale University School of Forestry and Environmental Studies.