

SAVE THE DATE

CLIMATE CHANGE SCIENCE, ECONOMICS AND POLICY A Half-Day Seminar for Print, Radio and TV Journalists and Editors

When: Wednesday, December 3, 2008 8:15 am - 1:00 p.m.
Where: University of Oregon Turnbull Center, Portland, Oregon
Cost: \$35
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The University of Oregon's School of Journalism and Communication and Climate Leadership Initiative, with co-sponsorship by the Society for Environmental Journalists and the Yale Forum on Climate Change & The Media invite you to a half-day seminar for journalists on one of the most pressing issues of our time: climate change. This event is part of an ongoing educational program on climate change for journalists.

Since our first seminar in June 2007, climate change has moved beyond science pages into the legislative as well as business, finance, energy, natural resource, lifestyle, outdoor and health care beats. A number of climate policy proposals will be introduced in the 2009 Oregon and Washington State legislatures and both Presidential candidates are on record supporting cap and trade policies, indicating that climate legislation is likely at the federal level as well.

This seminar provides reporters with an opportunity to get up to speed on likely legislative proposals before the process begins by hearing presentations and panel debates by IPCC scientists, economists and policy experts, as well as journalists who are reporting the issue. It will generate climate change story ideas for journalists covering many beats in many geographic regions of the Pacific Northwest.

Agenda (Draft)

8:15 a.m. Welcome and Introductions
Bob Doppelt, UO Climate Leadership Initiative and Tim Gleason, UO School of Journalism and Communications

8:30 a.m. The Latest Climate Science and What it Means for the Pacific Northwest: IPCC member Phil Mote, Climate Impacts Group University of Washington

9:30 a.m. Latest Information on the Economic and Social Impacts of Climate Change in the Pacific Northwest: Bob Doppelt, Climate Leadership Initiative UO

10:15 a.m. 2009 Cap and Trade and other State and Federal Climate Legislative Proposals: Dave Vant Hof't, Sustainability Advisor, Oregon Governor's Office, Janice Adair, Chair, Western Climate Initiative and Special Assistant to the Director, Washington Department of Ecology

11:30 a.m. Energy Company, Industry and Environmental Reactions to Cap and Trade and Other Climate Legislative Proposals

12:15 p.m. Panel Discussion: How Can Journalists Cover the Stories in a Fair Manner?

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