

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce the launch of a new Interdisciplinary Discussion Forum for Energy and the Environment on the UT campus for 2011-2012. The Forum is supported and hosted by the Baker Center for Public Policy. It has been put together as a collaboration between faculty in the Colleges of Business, Arts and Sciences, Law and Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources. The goal is to provide a forum that will bring together faculty and students from across departments to engage in interdisciplinary debate and discussion on current topics in environmental and energy science and policy.

The Forum will meet once every 2-3 weeks on a Thursday at 3.30pm in the Toyota Auditorium of the Baker Center.

We have an outstanding line-up of speakers to lead Fall sessions (<http://web.utk.edu/~jlarivi1/bcinter.html>) beginning with Paul Ehrlich, eminent ecologist, author of best-selling popular science texts about the environment and winner of multiple awards for environmental science and conservation.

We very much hope you will support this new endeavor and will join us for some exciting talks and discussion.

Regards

Jake LaRiviere (Economics), Paul Armsworth (Ecology and Evolutionary Biology), Becky Jacobs, (Law) and Chris Clark (Agricultural and Resource Economics).

Fall Schedule

Paul Ehrlich, Stanford University, 08/25, The Population and Environment Crisis and the Millennium Assessment of Human Behavior

Jim Sanchirico, UC Davis, 09/15, Role of Bioeconomic Modeling in the Design and Analysis of Ecosystem Based Management Policies

<http://www.des.ucdavis.edu/faculty/Sanchirico/Index.htm>

John Nolt, UT Knoxville, 10/06, The Ethics of Global Climate Change

<http://web.utk.edu/~philosop/staff/nolt.html>

Environmental Law Panel chaired by Dean Rivkin (UT Knoxville),

10/20 Nick Hanley

U Stirling, 11/10, Valuing biodiversity