## sustainability series



# Pathways to Sustainability and the Politics of Innovation



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Today's environmentally anxious age is dependent upon the roles of science, technology, and innovation. These are not only complex and uncertain role dynamics, but they also circulate contrasting narratives about whether or not they matter and what to do about them. During this discussion, Melissa Leach and Andy Stirling will demonstrate how people produce individual narratives that frame these roles in diverse ways and promote particular goals and values.

Melissa Leach directs the Social, Technological, and Environmental Pathways to Sustainability Centre (STEPS), an interdisciplinary research and policy center focusing on using science and technology to reduce poverty and improve social justice. Professor Andy Stirling co-directs STEPS and serves on multiple collaboration-based advisory boards emphasizing democracy, sustainability, and equity.

### Tuesday, January 22, 2013 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

(lunch will be provided)
Memorial Union, Room 202 Alumni
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