

CAP LTER All Scientist Meeting
February 14, 2005 3:30 p.m.
Room 158, Tempe Center 929
International Institute for Sustainability

Social with refreshments: 3:00 – 3:30

Announcements: 3:30 – 3:40

Speaker: 3:40 – 4:45

Featuring

Dr. Roger E. Kasperson

Research Professor and Distinguished Scientist
George Perkins Marsh Institute, Clark University

***“The Social Amplification of Risk: Two Decades of Social
Science Research”***

Review of the motivations that led to the formulation of this framework of societal response to risk nearly two decades ago. Also, summarize the essentials of the framework, and proceed to review some of the significant conceptual debates, along with the body of empirical work that has occurred over the past two decades. Conclusion will cover the assessment of where we are now and some of the most promising pathways for new ventures.

Dr. Kasperson, who holds his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago, has written widely on technological hazards, risk communication, risk and vulnerability, radioactive wastes, and global environmental change. Dr. Kasperson is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the Society for Risk Analysis, and has been honored by the Association of American Geographers for his research on hazards. He has served on numerous committees of the National Research Council, the National Science Foundation, and the Council of the Society for Risk Analysis. He has been Visiting Senior Scientist at the Beijer Institute in Stockholm, Sweden and has served on numerous advisory committees and editorial boards. He has chaired the International Geographical Union Commission on Critical Situations/Regions in Global Environmental Change and currently served as a member of the Committee on Human Dimensions of Global Change of the National Research Council. He also was Provost at Clark University from 1993 to 1998. A past president of the Society for Risk Analysis, he is currently a member of the Science Advisory Board of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. He is also a member of the Science Advisory boards of the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research, the Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research, the START programme of the IGBP, and the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies in Japan. Professor Kasperson served as Executive Director of the Stockholm Environmental Institute (SEI) from 2000-2004. He was elected to the National Academy of Sciences in 2002 and to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2004.

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