

Unconventional Oil Symposium Agenda

Wednesday, January 9, 2012

- 8:30–9:00 a.m. **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
- 9:00–10:30 a.m. **Symposium Session One**
Confronting Complexity: Technological Oil Shifts and Climate Impacts
- *What are “unconventional oils”? How do they differ from conventional oils?*
 - *What paradigm shifts in inputs, processes, infrastructure, and end uses do unconventional oils portend?*
 - *How will the life cycles of unconventional oils’ shift GHG emissions?*
- 10:30–10:45 a.m. **Coffee Break**
- 10:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m. **Symposium Session Two**
Oil Expectations: Economic and Market Shifts
- *Who are the new oil makers? Who are the new oil takers?*
 - *What are the new economic forces and market flows that apply to unconventional oils and their co-products?*
 - *What might prudent development look like? What are the possible impacts of the current paradox of plenty?*
 - *How might unconventional oil infrastructure develop with and without climate policy?*
- 12:15–1:30 p.m. **Lunch Keynote Address**
Reconciling Unconventional Oils with Climate Goals
- 1:30–3:00 p.m. **Symposium Session Three**
Oil Choices: Policy and the Public Interest
- *Have the carbon emissions from exploitation of unconventional oil been fully considered?*
 - *How might current fiscal oil regimes be modified to price the differential carbon in unconventional oils?*
 - *Are regulations adequately structured to flexibly manage the growing array of oils?*
 - *What are the opportunities for transparency and corporate responsibility?*
 - *Are new national and international institutions needed to address unconventional oils? Should they be bilateral, multi-lateral or global?*
- 3:00–3:15 p.m. **Break**
- 3:15–4:30 p.m. **Symposium Closing Session Four**
Parsing the Oil Paradigm Shifts
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