

CLIMATE CHANGE EVENT ADVISORY

**The International Institute for Sustainable Development and
The Earth Institute at Columbia University present**

An important discussion on climate change in New York, Thursday, October 9, 2008

The Kyoto Mechanisms: Key to combating climate change?

WINNIPEG, October 1, 2008—**Jeffrey Sachs**, Director of the Earth Institute at Columbia University and **Yvo de Boer**, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) will discuss whether a **carbon market** or **carbon taxes** are the best way to cut greenhouse gas emissions—a critical question for governments working to establish a framework to address climate change amid a global financial crisis and market uncertainty.

IISD Climate Change and Energy Director John Drexhage is the moderator of the event, designed to focus attention on a critical core element of the global climate change negotiations, which are scheduled to culminate in a new international agreement in Copenhagen in December 2009.

Discussion will focus primarily on the critical issues of:

- Environmental Integrity
- Economic Efficiency
- Long-term Policy Implications.

Other discussants are Geneva-based International Emissions Trading Association President and CEO **Henry Derwent** and Columbia University Ewing-Worzel Professor of Geophysics **Klaus S. Lackner**.

Date: Thursday, October 9, 2008
Time: 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. EST
Location: 555 Alfred Lerner Hall, Columbia University
2920 Broadway, New York, NY (between 114th and 115th Streets)
Map: http://www.columbia.edu/about_columbia/map/

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Seating is limited. Media should register directly with the event contact, Rick Groom, listed above.

Public wishing to attend should register online at www.earth.columbia.edu/calendar

This event **will be webcast** at <http://www.earth.columbia.edu/articles/view/1775>

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