

CLIMATE ENGINEERING: New Directions in Technology Assessment at the US Government Accountability Office

**World Future Society-Washington, D.C. Chapter
Thursday, March 15, 2012
Dinner Meeting 6:00-9:00 PM
Hilton Garden Inn, 7301 Waverly Street, Bethesda, Maryland**

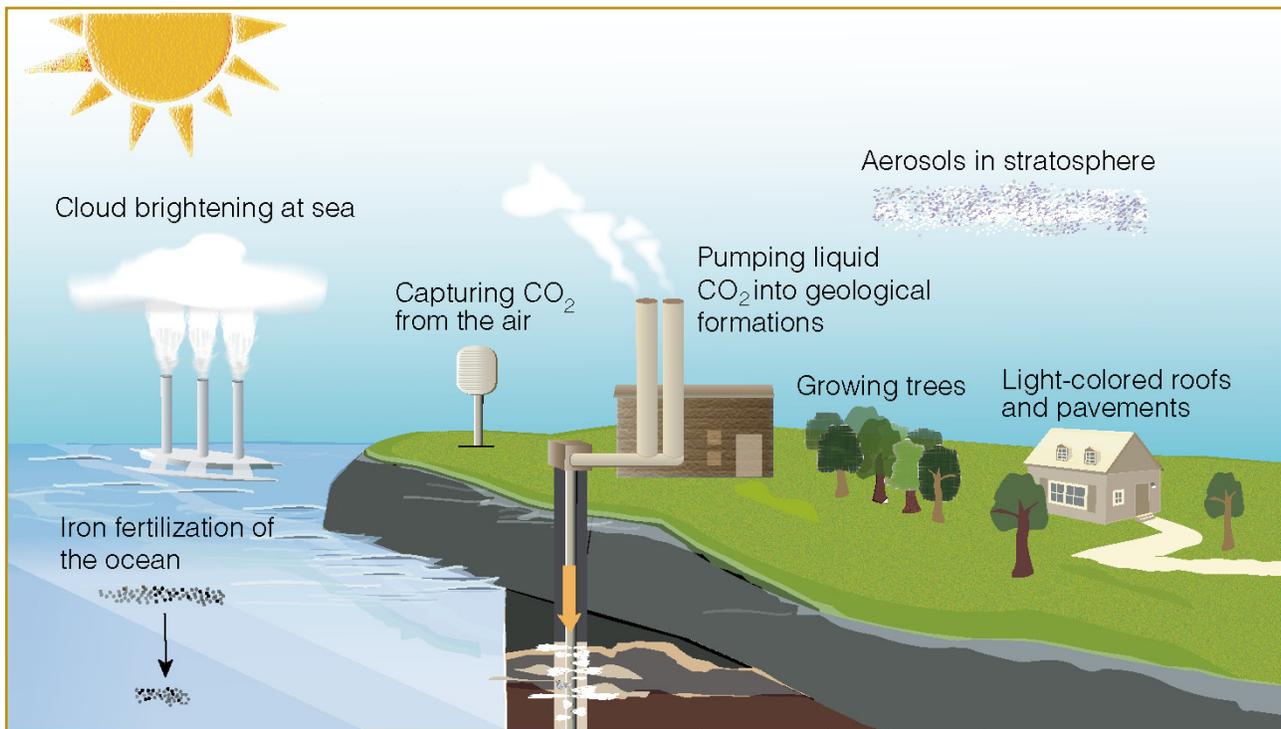


Dr. Jenny Chanley is a senior design methodologist at the U.S. Government Accountability Office in the Center for Design, Methods and Analysis within GAO's Applied Research and Methods team. She has helped design and implement numerous GAO projects. She helped design the survey used for GAO's recent technology assessment on climate engineering and helped shape the analysis and reporting of the survey data. She holds an MA in political science from Arizona State University and a PhD in political science from the University of Minnesota.



Ms. Nancy Donovan is a senior analyst at the U.S. Government Accountability Office in the Center for Evaluation Methods and Issues within GAO's Applied Research and Methods team. Most recently she worked with colleagues to employ the use of scenarios to describe the future of climate engineering research. As part of an ongoing commitment to public sector foresight, Ms. Donovan has organized and spoken at a number of WFS panels and is currently working to develop a community of interest in this area. She holds a Master of Public Administration from the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University.

Dr. Chanley and Ms. Donovan will briefly recount the history of technology assessments at GAO and then discuss issues and implications posed by GAO's 2011 assessment of technologies that might prevent or mitigate climate change for future GAO work. That assessment described future directions for research by having experts build scenarios that were used in canvassing many other experts. Those experts' responses included a suggestion that researching relevant technologies would improve the nation's ability to deal with potential climate change developments even if future climate trends are uncertain. In addition, Dr. Chanley and Ms. Donovan will discuss GAO's research on public perceptions about climate engineering, which was conducted because experts have noted the importance of public engagement and because of the riskiness of climate engineering technologies.



Advance paid registration by Monday March 12 is strongly encouraged.

Register at www.natcapwfs.org/events.htm or by sending a check payable to the World Future Society to Ken Harris at 5416 Newington Road, Bethesda, MD., 20816.

Cost of advance registration is \$37 non-chapter-members; \$30 chapter members; \$18 students under 26.

Cost after COB March 12 is \$43 non-chapter-members, \$37 chapter members, \$20 students under 26.

Reservations may not be cancelled after March 12, and no shows will be charged.

Last minute registrants may pay at the door. Please contact Ken Harris at 301-657-3731 or kenharris39@mac.com with any questions.

Note: Due to a requirement from our merchant banker to provide the full billing address for credit card charges, payment at the door will be by cash or personal check only.

Those registering in advance may pay by VISA, Mastercard or American Express.

DIRECTIONS

Via Metro

Take the red line to Bethesda station. Exit Bethesda station via the elevator, cross Wisconsin Ave, and walk straight ahead one block on Montgomery Ave., turn right on Waverly St., and proceed ½ block to the Hilton Garden Inn entrance.

Via Car

From the North - I-95 South to I-495 West (Silver Spring). Take Exit 34 Wisconsin Avenue South (Route 355) toward Washington/Bethesda. Proceed two miles on Wisconsin Avenue and make a left onto Montgomery Avenue. Turn right onto Waverly Street. Hotel is on the left

From the South - I-95 North to I-495 North (Tysons Corner). Take Exit 34 Wisconsin Avenue South (Route 355) toward Washington/Bethesda. Proceed two miles on Wisconsin Avenue and make a left onto Montgomery Ave. Turn right onto Waverly Street. Hotel is on the left

From the West - I-66 East to I-495 North (Baltimore). Take Exit 34 Wisconsin Avenue South (Route 355) toward Washington/Bethesda. Proceed two miles on Wisconsin Avenue and make a left onto Montgomery Avenue. Turn right onto Waverly Street. Hotel is on the left

From the East - US 50 West to I-495 North (Exit 7B). Continue I-495 North and stay left onto I-495 West (Silver Spring). Take Exit 34 Wisconsin Avenue South (Route 355) toward Washington/Bethesda. Proceed two miles on Wisconsin Avenue and make a left onto Montgomery Avenue. Turn right onto Waverly Street. Hotel is on the left.

Parking in the Montgomery County garage across Montgomery Ave. from the Hilton Garden is much less expensive than parking in the adjacent Air Rights building. Bring plenty of quarters, nickels and dimes.

See an area map at <http://maps.google.com/maps?q=38.983400,-77.092400&zoom=14>

From Washington DC (City Center)

Take Massachusetts Avenue (West). Turn right onto Wisconsin Ave. Turn right onto Waverly Street. Hotel is on the right.