

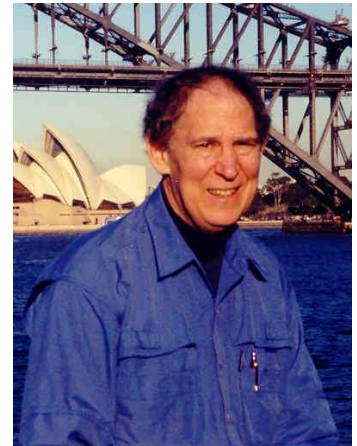
Dr Stephen Schneider Presentation

Auckland – 18 March 2009

Climate Change and Risk Management for Adaptation

The New Zealand Climate Change Centre and host, Auckland Regional Council (ARC), are pleased to invite you to join us for a presentation by Dr Stephen Schneider on climate change risk management strategies applied to decisions around climate change. The presentation will be held on **Wednesday March 18, 5.30 – 7.30 pm, 21 Pitt Street in the ARC Mayoral Chambers**. It is also supported by the Climate Change & Business Centre, and the New Zealand Society for Sustainability Engineering and Science.

Dr Schneider will present on techniques and the need for risk management in adapting strategic plans for business, local bodies and engineering for potential impacts of climate change, given the uncertainties in future projections of global climate change and related impacts. The presentation will be particularly relevant for those within business, local body and engaged with strategic planning and risk management.



Stephen H. Schneider is the Melvin and Joan Lane Professor for Interdisciplinary Environmental Studies, Professor in the Department of Biology, and a Senior Fellow in the Woods Institute for the Environment at Stanford University. He is also a Professor by Courtesy in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering. He served as a research scientist at the National Center for Atmospheric Research from 1973-1996, where he co-founded the Climate Project. He focuses on climate change science, integrated assessment of ecological and economic impacts of human-induced climate change, and identifying viable climate policies and technological solutions.

He has consulted for federal agencies and White House staff in six administrations. Involved with the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) since 1988, he was Coordinating Lead Author, Working Group II, Chapter 19, "Assessing Key Vulnerabilities and the Risk from Climate Change" and a core writer for the Fourth Assessment Synthesis Report. He along with four generations of IPCC authors received in 2007 a collective Nobel Peace Prize for their joint efforts. Elected to the US National Academy of Sciences in 2002, Dr. Schneider received the American Association for the Advancement of Science/Westinghouse Award for Public Understanding of Science and Technology and a MacArthur Fellowship for integrating and interpreting the results of global climate research. Founder/ editor of *Climatic Change*, he has authored or co-authored over 500 books, scientific papers, proceedings, legislative testimonies, edited books and chapters, reviews and editorials. Dr. Schneider counsels policy makers, corporate executives, and non-profit stakeholders about using risk-management strategies in climate-policy decision-making, given the uncertainties in future projections of global climate change and related impacts. He is actively engaged in improving public understanding of science and the environment through extensive media communication and public outreach.

Dr Schneider was "Thinker in Residence" in Adelaide for 4 months in 2006 when he also spoke at the 2nd Australia-New Zealand Climate Change & Business Conference.

Please RSVP to b.wilson@niwa.co.nz. Attendance is complimentary and spaces are limited. We recommend prompt RSVP to secure a spot.

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