

Changing Climates in North American Politics

Woodrow Wilson Center 5th floor Conference Room Wednesday, December 16, 2009 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Changing Climates in North American Politics is the first book to examine and compare political action for climate change across North America, at levels ranging from continental to municipal, in locations ranging from Mexico to Toronto to Portland, Maine. The Canada Institute joins the Environmental Change and Security Program to present a discussion of the themes and issues raised in Changing Climates. The program will feature comments from the book's editors, Stacy VanDeveer and Henrik Selin

Panelist Biographies:

Henrik Selin is assistant professor and director of graduate studies in the Department of International Relations at Boston University. Prior to his current faculty position, he spent three years as a Wallenberg Post-doctoral Fellow in Environment and Sustainability at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Selin conducts research and teaches classes on global and regional politics and policymaking on environment and sustainable development. His book, Global Governance of Hazardous Chemicals: Challenges of Multilevel Management is forthcoming with MIT Press. He is the co-editor of Changing Climates in North American Politics: Institutions, Policymaking and Multilevel Governance (MIT Press, with Stacy VanDeveer) and Transatlantic Environment and Energy Politics: Comparative and International Perspectives (Ashgate, with Miranda Schreurs and Stacy VanDeveer). Selin is also the author and co-author of more than two dozen peer reviewed journal articles and book chapters as well as numerous reports, reviews, and commentaries.

Stacy D. VanDeveer is an associate professor of political science at the University of New Hampshire. His research interests include international environmental policymaking and its domestic impacts, the connections between environmental and security issues, and the role of expertise in policymaking. He has received fellowships from the Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government and the Watson Institute for International Studies at Brown University. He has received research funding from the U.S. National Science Foundation, the European Union, and the Swedish Foundation for Strategic Environmental Research (MISTRA), among others. In addition to authoring and coauthoring more than 50 articles, book chapters, working papers, and reports, he co-edited several books, including *Changing Climates in North American Politics* (MIT Press, 2009); *Comparative Environmental Politics* (MIT Press, forthcoming); *Transatlantic Environment and Energy Politics* (Ashgate, 2009); *EU Enlargement and the Environment* (Routledge, 2005); and *Saving The Seas* (Maryland Sea Grant Press, College Park, 1997).