



Association of Environmental and Resource Economists

AERE @ the Agricultural & Applied Economics Association Annual Conference

New in 2018! AERE now co-sponsors two invited speaker sessions on current issues of mutual interest to both organizations. This year's conference will feature two policy-oriented panels.

Session 1: *Applied Economics for Practical Policymaking*

Session Description:

The goal of this session is to spur a conversation between economists working in academia and those working in government agencies and nonprofits, covering topics such as: How does your work differ (or not) from that of an academic economist? How does published economic research get used in the policy process? What are some specific and general research needs at your organization? What misconceptions do academic economists have about how policy gets made? What advice would you give academic economists to make their work more useful or relevant for policy?

Confirmed Participants:

- PANELISTS
 - Frank Casey, US Geological Survey
 - Al McGartland, US Environmental Protection Agency
 - Ruben Lubowski, Environmental Defense Fund
 - Richard Newell, Resources for the Future
- MODERATOR: Daniel Petrolia, Mississippi State University

Session 2: *State and Regional Climate Regulation*

Session Description:

The goal of this session is to update attendees on new policy activity (e.g., carbon pricing or adaptation planning) happening at the state and regional levels, and to discuss the political challenges and economic complications of subnational vs. national approaches.

Confirmed Participants:

- PANELISTS:
 - Dallas Burtraw, Resources for the Future
 - Terry Dinan, Congressional Budget Office
 - Adele Morris, Brookings Institution
 - Barry Rabe, University of Michigan
- MODERATOR: Soren Anderson, Michigan State University