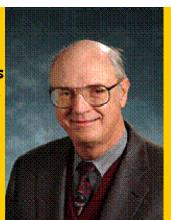


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Abstract

Taking global warming as a given, what policies are best to mitigate it? Talk will compare a purely technological approach, command & control, tradable carbon emissions permits, and carbon taxes. Why is it that economists like carbon taxes whereas the greens and the big carbon emitters find themselves as strange bedfellows liking tradable permits?

Bio

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