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# The Social and Economic Costs of Climate Change on Children's Health

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Monday, May 11, 2015, 1-5 pm, Reception 5-6 pm  
Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

The Center for Environmental Policy at American University's School of Public Affairs, the Children's Environmental Health Network, and the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars present ***The Social and Economic Costs of Climate Change on Children's Health: What Do We Know and What Can We Do?*** This half-day forum will address the social and economic implications of and strategies for addressing the impacts on children's health resulting from climate change.

This event will include discussions with policy experts, representatives of environmental organizations, public health experts, and economists. It will address the current state of knowledge of the impacts of climate change on children's health and steps for mitigating them. Speakers include **Sylvia Brandt**, Associate Professor, University of Massachusetts Amherst; **Pat Breyse**, Director, National Center for Environmental Health/Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry; **Lisa Brown**, Program Analyst, National Association of County and City Health Officials; **Ruth Etzel**, Director, Office of Children's Health Protection, US EPA; **Leslie Fields**, Director of Environmental Justice and Community Partnerships, Sierra Club; **Daniel J. Fiorino**, Director of the Center for Environmental Policy, American University School of Public Affairs; **Nsedu Obot Witherspoon**, Executive Director, Children's Environmental Health Network; **Lisa Palmer**, Environmental Change and Security Program, Woodrow Wilson Center; **William K. Reilly**, former EPA Administrator; **Leonardo Trasande**, Associate Professor, New York University School of Medicine; and **Maike Jansen**, Programme Officer, United Nations Environment Programme.

Discussion and findings will be summarized in a report that will incorporate recommendations for next steps as well as follow up activities and commitments by the participants.

Seating is limited. There is no charge for attending, although pre-registration by May 6 is requested at <http://bit.ly/ClimateChangeForum>. Please contact Rachel Locke with any questions at 202-543-4033 x12.

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This event is part of a series of dialogue sessions on environmental and public policy issues hosted by the Center for Environmental Policy under the auspices of the William K. Reilly Fund for Environmental Governance and Leadership. The Reilly Fund, established at American University in 2013, recognizes the substantial contributions that Mr. Reilly has made to U.S. environmental and energy policy. It directly supports two annual environmental leadership awards; student scholarships; and forums that contribute to dialogue and action on critical environmental policy issues.

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**Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center**  
**One Woodrow Wilson Plaza**  
**1300 Pennsylvania Ave., NW**  
**Washington, DC 20004-3027**

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**Program Agenda**

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| 1:00-1:15 pm | Welcome and introductions, Dan Fiorino, Center for Environmental Policy, American University School of Public Affairs  |
| 1:15-1:30 pm | Overview, William K. Reilly  |
| 1:30-3:00 pm | Session 1: The Impacts of Climate Change on Children's Health<br><br>Scene Setting: Sylvia Brandt, University of Massachusetts<br>Panelists: Sylvia Brandt, Pat Breyse, National Center for Environmental Health/Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Lisa Palmer, Woodrow Wilson Center, and Leonardo Trasande, New York University School of Medicine |
| 3:00-3:15 pm | Coffee Break   |
| 3:15-4:45 pm | Session 2: What Can We Do to Mitigate the Impacts of Climate Change on Children's Health?<br><br>Scene setting: Ruth Etzel, Office of Children's Health Protection, US EPA<br>Panelists: Ruth Etzel, Lisa Brown, National Association of County and City Health Officials, Leslie Fields, Sierra Club, Maaïke Jansen, United Nations Environment Programme           |
| 4:45-5:00 pm | Reflections and next steps, Nsedu Obot Witherspoon, Children's Environmental Health Network  |
| 5:00-6:00 pm | Networking reception   |