



Plenary Talks

Thursday, March 31 2016
Rudder Theater

Time	Events
8:45-9:00 am	Registration and Sign-in (2nd Floor, Rudder Tower)
9:00-9:10 am	Opening Remarks
9:10-10:10 am	Dr. Lisa Naughton (University of Wisconsin-Madison) “Paying for Forest Conservation Where Land Ownership is Unclear - Lessons from Ecuador”
10:10-11:10 am	Dr. Jayne Belnap (USGS) “Biocrusts as the critical zone in dryland ecosystems: what does the future hold?”
11:10-11:30 am	Coffee Break
11:30-12:30 pm	Dr. Peter Vitousek (Stanford University) “Pacific Islands as Model Systems for Human-Environment Interactions”
12:30-2:00 pm	Lunch
2:00-3:00 pm	Dr. Stuart Pimm (Duke University) “What must we know about biodiversity to conserve it?”
3:00-4:00 pm	Dr. Ruth DeFries (Columbia University) “Humans, Nature and Ecology in an Urbanizing World”
4:00-4:10 pm	Closing Remarks