



Press Release

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Author of the *World Development Report 2010* to Give The 2011 IPRC Public Lecture in Climate Science

Climate Change and Development: Avoiding the Unmanageable and Managing the Unavoidable is the title of this year's IPRC Public Lecture in Climate Science. The free public lecture will be given by Rosina Bierbaum, Dean of University of Michigan's School of Natural Resources and Environment, at 7:00 pm, October 17, at the Art Auditorium, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa.

Dean Bierbaum has a distinguished governmental and academic career with a focus on environmental science and related policy. She has written extensively about climate change and the mitigation of impacts of climate change on societies.

In 2009 President Obama named Dr. Bierbaum to the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology, which consists of 20 of the nation's leading scientists and engineers who advise the President and Vice President in areas where understanding of science, technology and innovation is key to forming responsible and effective policy.

She serves on numerous boards dealing with scientific and environmental policy issues, such as the

Federation of American Scientists, a think tank dedicated to providing evidence-based analysis and practical policy recommendations on national and international security issues and to creating a more secure and better world; the *Energy Foundation*, dedicated to solving the world's energy problems through energy efficiency and renewable energy; and the *Environmental and Energy Study Institute*.

Dr. Bierbaum is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Science as well as of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Her awards include the Waldo E. Smith medal of the American Geophysical Union for "extraordinary service to geophysics."

The International Pacific Research Center (IPRC), the climate research center at the School of Ocean and Earth Science and Technology, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, invites every year a renowned climate scientist to the university to give a public lecture.

The Art Building Auditorium is located on the Main Mall near Varney Circle, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. On-campus parking is available for \$5 after 4 p.m., and in the parking structure for \$4.

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