

U.S. and Japan: Moving Toward a Sustainable Future

Education, Innovation, Opportunity

Tuesday November 9th, 2010 at 5pm

University of Colorado at Boulder

Eaton Humanities Rm. 150

17:00 Opening Remarks, Main Presentations, Q&A

18:30 Reception

SPEAKERS' BIOGRAPHIES

Dan Bihn is a strategic communication engineer - combining system engineering, marketing, and policy-making - and communicating the results in a compelling photojournalistic package. Dan received a Master of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering from the University of California, Davis in 1986. He has 20 years of professional experience in the high-tech sector as a product development engineer in areas ranging from cardiac pacemakers and undersea robotic vehicles to greenhouse control systems. Dan spent 7 years in Japan as a student and engineer conducting product development and technology transfer. He is fluent in Japanese. He holds 3 U.S. patents, 1 Japanese patent and has written and provided photos for several articles on energy and environment in the popular press. danbihn.com/

Eric Wilson is an educator in science education who is driven to see fundamental changes in our energy consumption patterns. He has taught science and sustainability since 2006. His current PhD studies focus on the efficacy of educating for sustainability. In addition, he is an at-large member of the US Green Building Council – Colorado and sits on the Green Schools Initiative committee. Eric has a Masters degree in

Teaching from New York University's Steinhardt School with a focus in secondary science education. His undergraduate study centered on Biological Anthropology and Art History at Emory University. He is co-founder and President of 2ndGreenRevolution.com.

Dai Kato is a sustainability and ADR specialist. He was born in the old Japanese Samurai town of Nagoya, where Toyota and many other multi-national companies were founded. He grew up in a Japanese Shinto and Zen Buddhist family. After 8 years of business and non-profit work experiences in Japan, he moved to the U.S to acquire his master's degree in Conflict Facilitation and Organizational Change from the Process Work Institute Graduate School in Portland, OR. In 2007, Dai represented Vice-President Al Gore's Live Earth project to Japan. His skills as an inter-cultural conflict resolution project representative helped to make the world's biggest multi-national eco-event successful in 9 countries. He worked as a Sustainability Specialist and an adjunct faculty at Colorado Mountain College where he taught and operated Conflict Resolution, Japanese, and Sustainability programs. Currently, he is working as a research fellow at Center for the study of Conflict, Collaboration and Creative Governance (3CG) at C.U. Boulder. He is currently establishing the C.R.I.S.P. International Lab for "U.S./Japan collaboration for Sustainability and Peace" project.

http://3cg.colorado.edu/drupal_3cg/node/20

Justin Manger Co-Chairman of the Center for Professional Exchange (CEPEX).

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