



PEAK OIL GLOBAL WARMING

Where are we going?

A series of public presentations

Lester Brown -

*Peak Oil and Resource Depletion
- Crossroads for Humanity*

Tues. Oct 3rd
7.45pm

George Monbiot -

*Climate Change & Urgent
Responses - What we can do*

Tues. Oct 10th
7.45pm

Melbourne University Law Building, GM15, Pelham St. Carlton
Melways Map 2B, C9

Both presentations are ecofriendly video conferencing
followed by audience questions and Panel discussion

Admission: \$10; Concession \$6

Peak Oil is approaching fast: Global Warming has arrived

“Our climate crisis may at times appear to be happening slowly, but in fact it is happening very quickly –and has become a true planetary emergency”.

Al Gore, 2006

The problems involve us all:

- * As individuals
- * As family members
- * As community members

The solutions need us all!

There are many answers to the problems – but we need the strength to make them reality.

“We are facing what biologists are beginning to describe as a mass extinction crisis, with a rate of extinction now 1,000 times higher than the normal background rate”

Al Gore, 2006

If half of Greenland and half of Antarctica melted or broke up and slipped into the sea, sea levels worldwide would increase by between 18 and 20 feet.

“The maps of the world will have to be redrawn”

Sir David King, UK Science Advisor

*We can no longer afford to wait – as individuals and as members of the broader local and global community we must begin to make the necessary changes from today.
Lester Brown and George Monbiot will present important changes we can make – but it will be up to us to make them.*

George Monbiot



George Monbiot has been described as “One of the 25 most influential people in the UK”.

George Monbiot is the author of the best selling books *The Age of Consent: a manifesto for a new world order* and *Captive State: the corporate takeover of Britain*, as well as the investigative travel books *Poisoned Arrows*, *Amazon Watershed* and *No Man’s Land*. He writes a weekly column for the Guardian newspaper.

He has held visiting fellowships or professorships at the universities of Oxford (environmental policy), Bristol (philosophy), Keele (politics) and East London (environmental science). He is currently visiting professor of planning at Oxford Brookes University. In 1995 Nelson Mandela presented him with a United Nations Global 500 Award for outstanding environmental achievement

In October 2006 George Monbiot will launch *Heat - How to stop the planet from burning*. It now seems certain that we need a 90% cut in our emissions by 2030 to prevent runaway climate change from taking place. In *HEAT*, George Monbiot explains how the cut could be achieved without bringing the civilisation we know to an end.

Lester Brown



Lester R. Brown has been described by the Washington Post as "one of the world's most influential thinkers." The Telegraph of Calcutta called him "the guru of the global environmental movement."

In May 2001, he founded Earth Policy Institute, where he now serves as president. The purpose of the Earth Policy Institute is to provide a vision of an environmentally sustainable economy, a roadmap of how to get from here to there — as well as an ongoing assessment of progress.

Lester Brown has published numerous books on the environment. His latest book is *Plan B 2.0: Rescuing a Planet Under Stress and a Civilization in Trouble* (2006) in which he presents the problems and some of the solutions to issues of resource scarcity, peak oil and population growth.



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