Free Public Lecture "Sustainability Science meets Society"

Monday 16th May 2011, 19:00-20:00

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25 years of challenges for sustainability research. What next?

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Prof. Zaccai will turn back to sustainable development as defined by the Brundtland Report and examine how the challenges to research on sustainability have evolved since then, and through which different modes scientific results have emerged in response to them. The question of dialogue between the scientific disciplines will be analyzed in this context, as well as the reactions to diverse societal inputs and demands, for example in relation to risks. The theme of public understanding of scientific knowledge on sustainability issues will also be addressed, including the analysis of recent climate controversies. The talk will conclude on future challenges and foresight in this field.

An open Q&A session with the speaker and a few experts will follow this presentation.

This event is free and open to all, no registration required.

Entry is on a first come, first served basis.

Doors will open about 30 minutes prior to event.

This public lecture will be hosted as part of the

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