

## ABOUT PIEC

The University of Florida Levin College of Law's Fourteenth Annual Public Interest Environmental Conference focuses on legal, scientific, and policy solutions to Florida's environmental challenges, a reflection of the environmental challenges confronting the world.

Since its inception in 1994, this student-organized conference has attracted top practitioners, legal scholars and scientists from around the state and beyond to discuss Florida's most pressing environmental issues. Now in its fourteenth year, the PIEC has enjoyed a continual increase in reputation, attendance and popularity.

## REGISTRATION

The PIEC pre-registration fee is \$85, and the on-site registration fee is \$100. Both fees include all program activities except the banquet, which is an additional \$35. The post-mark deadline for pre-registration is February 22, 2008. Make checks payable to "UF Law Center Association." Registration forms are also available at [www.ufpiec.org](http://www.ufpiec.org).

## QUESTIONS

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## REGISTRATION FORM

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Mail registration fee and this form to:  
Public Interest Environmental Conference  
University of Florida Levin College of Law  
P.O. Box 117629  
Gainesville, FL 32611

### Special Needs

If your attendance requires any aids or services as addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act, please notify us at least two weeks prior to the program date.

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## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2008

**KEYNOTE SPEECH:** 7:30 – 9:00 p.m., Reitz Union Ballroom

Sheila Watt-Cloutier, 2007 Nobel Peace Prize Nominee and Inuit Climate Change Activist; Former International Chair for the Inuit Circumpolar Council. Pre-conference event, free and open to the public.

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2008

**OPENING RECEPTION:** 6:00 – 9:00 p.m., The President's House

Welcoming Remarks: Robert H. Jerry, II, Dean and Professor, UF Levin College of Law

Keynote Speaker: Shannon Estenoz, Governing Board Member, South Florida Water Management District

Held in conjunction with the UF Water Institute Symposium.

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2008

**CHECK-IN & ON-SITE REGISTRATION:** 7:00 – 10:00 a.m.

**OPENING PLENARY:** 8:30 – 10 a.m.

### A Global Perspective

Michael Binford, UF Dept. of Geography; David Bookbinder, Sierra Club; Michael Burnett, The Climate Trust; Tseming Yang, Vermont Law School

**MORNING SESSION:** 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**The Tide is Upon Us: Coastlines in the Face of Sea-Level Rise (Water Track)**

Andrew S. Coburn, Western Carolina University; Robin Kundis Craig, Florida State University College of Law; Robert H. Jerry, II, UF Levin College of Law; Ryan Feinberg, J.D. candidate, UF Levin College of Law Conservation Clinic (moderator)

**Food for the Future: Florida's New Agricultural Frontier (Land Track)**

Dr. Nick Comerford, UF Dept. Soil & Water Science; Dr. Eric Simonne, UF Institute for Food and Agricultural Sciences and Dept. of Horticultural Sciences; Dr. Ann C. Wilkie, UF Dept. Soil & Water Science; Dr. Michael Olexa, UF Dept. of Food and Resource Economics (moderator)

**A Thaw in the Courts: The Changing Climate for Litigating Climate Change (Energy Track)**

David Bookbinder, Sierra Club; Lawrence Schnapf, Schnapf Environmental Law Center; Harvey Sheldon, Harvey M. Sheldon, P.C., and Hinshaw & Culbertson, L.L.P.; Tseming Yang, Vermont Law School; Jason Totoiu, The Everglades Law Center, Inc. (moderator)

**LUNCH BREAK:** 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

### Special Event - Campus Climate Neutral Round Table

Dedee DeLongpré, UF Office of Sustainability; Anna Prizzia, UF Office of Sustainability. Hosted by the National Association of Environmental Law Societies.

### Special Event - Higher Ground: The Battle to Save Florida's Beaches

Gary Appelson, Caribbean Conservation Corporation

**AFTERNOON SESSION I:** 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

**My Aquifer Runneth Dry: Drinking Water and Diversions (Water Track)**

Karen Ahlers, Putnam County Environmental Council; Wayne Flowers, Lewis, Longman, & Walker; Christine Klein, UF Levin College of Law

**Community Land-Management for Conservation: Making Homeowners Responsible and Making Agencies Comfortable (Land Track)**

Ray Ashton, Ashton Biodiversity Research & Preservation Institute, Inc.; Jim Birely, Sugar Mill Woods Homeowners Association (invited); Michael C. Eckert, Hopping Green & Sams; Clay Henderson, Holland & Knight (invited); Ondine Wells, UF Institute for Food and Agricultural Sciences (moderator)

**Cash for Carbon: Carbon Markets and Regulatory Alternatives (Energy Track)**

Michael Burnett, The Climate Trust; Hal S. Knowles, III, Ph.D. candidate, UF School of Natural Resources and Environment; Mark van Soestbergen, International Carbon Bank & Exchange, Inc.; Michael Wallander, Greenberg Traurig, L.L.P.; Christine Manning, J.D. candidate, UF Levin College of Law Conservation Clinic (moderator)

**AFTERNOON SESSION II:** 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

**Funding the Everglades: A Restoration Project in Need (Water Track)**

Shannon Estenoz, South Florida Water Management District; Kim Koleos, J.D. candidate, UF Levin College of Law Conservation Clinic; William Leary, Former Director for Natural Resources, White House Council on Environmental Quality; James C. Nicholas, UF Levin College of Law and Dept. of Urban and Regional Planning; Richard J. Grosso, Nova Southeastern University (moderator)

**Shell-Shocked: The Impact of War on the Environment (Land Track)**

Captain Lee Dougherty, UF Military Science; Dr. Mark Goldstein, former U.S. Naval Officer; Paula Stahmer, Florida Sierra Club; Winston P. Nagan, UF Levin College of Law (moderator)

**Sustaining the Sunshine State: Florida's Alternative Energy Solutions (Energy Track)**

David Guest, Earthjustice Tallahassee; Charles Pattison, 1000 Friends of Florida and Governor's Action Team on Energy and Climate Change; Winifred Perkins, Florida Power and Light

Company; Dr. Eric D. Wachsman, Florida Institute for Sustainable Energy and UF Dept. of Materials Science and Engineering; Jane West, Collins & West (moderator)

**BANQUET:** 7:00 – 10:00 p.m., The Harn Museum of Art

Keynote Speaker: David Hunter, Assistant Professor of Law and Director, Program on International and Comparative Environmental Law, American University Washington College of Law

## SATURDAY, MARCH 1, 2008

**WORKSHOP:** 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

**Walking Small: Reducing Your Personal Footprint**

Michelle Adamski, UF Institute for Food and Agricultural Sciences

**MORNING SESSION:** 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**Water and Dam-Nations: Environmental Injustices and Dams (Water Track)**

Ruben Orlando Gonzalez, Alliance for Conservation and Development and Graduate Student, Duke University; Dr. Anthony Oliver-Smith, UF Dept. of Anthropology and Center for Latin American Studies; Gaby Stocks, Ph.D. candidate, UF Dept. of Anthropology; Thomas Ruppert, UF Levin College of Law (moderator)

**All Creatures Great and Small: Planning for Humans and Biodiversity (Land Track)**

Manley Fuller, Florida Wildlife Federation and Governor's Action Team on Energy and Climate Change; Terry Gibson, The Florida Sportsman; Eugene Kelly, The Nature Conservancy; Janet Bowman, The Nature Conservancy (moderator)

**Communication Breakdown: Science Education for Policymakers and Policy Education for Scientists (Energy Track)**

Dr. Judith T. Kildow, Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute; Jon Mills, Dean Emeritus, UF Levin College of Law; Dr. Stephen Mulkey, UF Dept. of Botany and School of Natural Resources and Environment; Jim Swann, Former Governing Board Member, St. Johns River Water Management District; John H. Hankinson, Former Regional Administrator, U.S. E.P.A. Region 4 (moderator)

**LUNCH BREAK:** 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

**Special Event - Natural Florida: In Word, Image and Deed**

An interactive multimedia presentation, produced and directed by Steve Robitaille, Santa Fe Community College

**CLOSING PLENARY:** 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

**The Focus on Florida**

Cynthia Barnett, author and journalist; Tommy Boroughs, Holland & Knight, Florida Energy Commission, and Governor's Action Team on Energy and Climate Change; Dr. Stephen Mulkey, UF Dept. of Botany and School of Natural Resources and Environment; John H. Hankinson, Former Regional Administrator, U.S. E.P.A. Region 4 (moderator)