

Free Public Lecture

# The Perilous Geography of Petroleum

Issues concerning the supply, uneven distribution, and use of oil and gas

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- Is the world in imminent danger of running out of oil and gas?
- With only 6% of the world's population, the United States consumes 25% of the oil and gas and accounts for 30% of the CO<sub>2</sub> humans add to the atmosphere
- Most of Earth's resources of oil and gas are in the politically unstable Middle East and former Soviet Union
- How the U.S. copes with the perilous geography of petroleum will shape the global political landscape of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

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