

 Listen now**David Guston featured in podcast about congressional briefing**

CSPO co-director and director of Center for Nanotechnology in Society at ASU, David Guston, is featured in a new installment of *ASU President's Office Podcast*, discussing a briefing before the U.S. Congressional Nanotechnology Caucus in Washington, D.C., March 9th, organized by CNS-ASU. Presentations specifically regarding nanotechnology and the public were made to the caucus by Guston, ASU President Michael Crow and 13 recognized scholars in the field. The briefing drew the caucus's largest crowd to-date. Guston also discusses the origins and projects of both CSPO and CNS-ASU on the podcast. [\[Listen now\]](#) [\[More on the briefing\]](#)

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 Read now**CSPO to participate in global citizen forum on climate change**

Organized by The Danish Board of Technology and The Danish Cultural Institute, *World Wide Views on Global Warming* will hold citizen deliberations on climate change in 45 countries on September 26, 2009. CSPO will hold one of seven forums being conducted in the United States. For the first time, citizens all over the world will have an opportunity to define and communicate their positions on issues and questions central to the negotiations at the upcoming United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP15). [\[press release pdf\]](#) [\[World Wide Views Web site\]](#)

 Ponder now**The science of April Fools' Day**

Owen Marshall, political science senior at ASU and CSPO research intern, celebrates April Fools' Day in his current CSPO Soapbox post. He reminds us of the greatest science-related prank of all time and discusses its relevance today. While you're "stuffing snakes into peanut brittle cans, inflating whoopee cushions or winding your joy buzzer," check it out. [\[Read now\]](#) [\[Send a comment\]](#)

Upcoming Events

enLIGHTeNING Lunch: This free 20-minute presentation related to science and society, followed by 20 minutes of discussion, is presented monthly by CSPO in COOR 5536 at ASU. Pizza and drinks are provided.

- April 8, 12:30p – "The Case for Ecological Ethics" with Ben Minter, School of Life Sciences, ASU
- May 4, 12:30p – "Ethical Challenges of Emerging Technologies" with Joe Herkert, Lincoln Associate Professor of Ethics and Technology, School of Applied Arts and Sciences, ASUP

Science Cafe: Center for Nanotechnology in Society (CNS-ASU) and Arizona Science Center co-host monthly informal discussions among members of the community and university scientists about how science and technology can change the future; free and held at Arizona Science Center, 600 E. Washington St., Phoenix.

- April 17, 5:30p – "Technologies of Distraction: Mobile Phones, iPods, and E-mail" with Jonathan Posner, assistant professor, Ira A. Fulton School of Engineering, ASU, and Jameson Wetmore, assistant professor, School of Human Evolution and Social Change, and CSPO, ASU.



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