

Happy Holidays!

CSPO Perspectives

“Lies We Must Live With” by Dan Sarewitz: *The idea of “total truth”... assaults any conceivable commitment to intellectual openness and political pluralism.* Now available on the CSPO website at www.cspo.org/home/perspectives/index.htm.

Policy Implications of Technologies for Cognitive Enhancement

The report of a workshop on policy approaches to the governance of human enhancement technologies, co-sponsored by CSPO and the Advanced Concepts Group at Sandia National Laboratory, is now available at www.cspo.org/ourlibrary/articles/FinalEnhancedCognitionReport.pdf.

Decision Making Under Uncertainty: Ranking of Multiple Stressors on Central Arizona Water Resources

As part of the [Science Policy Assessment and Research on Climate \(SPARC\)](#) project, CSPO hosted a workshop in early November to investigate the relative importance of stressors on the water resources of Central Arizona. The discussion draft, [Decision Making Under Uncertainty: Ranking of Multiple Stressors on Central Arizona Water Resources](#), served as the basis for the workshop, which was supported by the SPARC project, the [Decision Center for a Desert City](#) at Arizona State University, the National Science Foundation, and the V. Kann Rasmussen Foundation. For more information on the workshop and this project, see http://www.cspo.org/working/AZ_Water_resources.htm.

Weird Technologies

Check out this new feature on the [CSPO webpage](#) which will regularly highlight “weird” technologies under development or available.

Science and Technology in Society

An International Multidisciplinary Graduate Student Conference, March 31-April 1, 2007, Washington DC. *Abstracts due January 16, 2007.* This annual conference, co-sponsored by AAAS, CSPO, George Mason University, George Washington University, and Virginia Tech, provides a forum for graduate students from a variety of disciplinary and interdisciplinary programs to present their research on the policy and social studies of science and technology. For more information, see www.stglobal.org.

Ecology and Global Democracy

Clark Miller explores the link between science, and large-scale ecological assessments in particular, and global democracy in this essay available at www.esa.org/esablog/?p=17.

Technological Enhancement Conference for Undergraduate Researchers

On April 24, 2007, the Center for Nanotechnology in Society, the Hispanic Research Center, and

others will co-sponsor “Technological Enhancement of Humans? Perspectives of Researchers From Underrepresented Populations,” a research conference for undergraduates. *Abstracts due January 24, 2007*. For more information, visit cns.asu.edu/about/documents/nbic-final.pdf, call 1-800-327-4893, or email mge@asu.edu.

For more information on the Center for Nanotechnology in Society at Arizona State University, visit cns.asu.edu. To receive news about CNS-ASU activities and other items of interest regarding nanotechnology in society, subscribe to the newsletter by contacting cns@asu.edu.

Between Politics and Science – Now available in Paperback

David Guston’s book, [*Between Politics and Science*](#), combines political-economic, sociological and historical approaches to provide a coherent framework for analyzing the changing relationship between politics and science in the United States. This winner of the American Political Science Association prize for best book in science and technology policy is now available in paperback from Columbia University Press. To order within the US and Canada, please call +1 843-353-7500 (fax 845-353-4141); for the rest of the world, +44 (0)1223 326050 (fax +44 (0)1223 326111).

Two Faculty Positions in Science and Technology Policy Research at University of Colorado, Boulder

The CIRES Center for Science and Technology Policy Research at the University of Colorado at Boulder seeks two faculty positions at the assistant/associate (with tenure) level in science and technology policy research with a focus on decision making under uncertainty. For more information on the positions, visit <http://cires.colorado.edu/jobs/sciencepolicy-2faculty.html>. For more information about the CIRES Center for Science and Technology Policy Research see <http://sciencepolicy.colorado.edu>. The University of Colorado at Boulder is committed to diversity and equality in education and employment.

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