

## Sample International Environment and Development Speakers in Washington, D.C.

- **D.C. City Council Speakers** - Youth assistant coordinator for Mayor Fenty, Ward 1 Councilman Graham's chief of staff, and Ward 1 community leader.
- **Ambassador Marc Grossman**, speaking on new US foreign policy directions
- John Heffernan, **Executive Director of the Committee on Conscience**, speaking on genocides, conflicts, prevention and the role of the Holocaust Museum.
- Erika Ecstudd, **Holocaust Survivor**, speaking about her story and experiences
- **DC Central Kitchen** Manager, Michael Curtin and an alum, discussing the potential for using job training to address the needs of homeless persons and ex-offenders.
- **World Bank Speakers** including: Angelica Silvero, Communications Director, Michelle Denevers, Senior Manager Environment Department, staff from the Agriculture department, and a variety of guest speakers at a conference on Youth Leadership.
- Adotei Akwei, **CARE**, speaking on development efforts and the impact of climate change upon development programming by CARE.
- Tim Newman, **International Labor Rights Forum**, speaking on labor rights, product sourcing and corporate social responsibility.
- **State Department specialists** on Africa and Ecuador: Dan Whitman, Foreign Services Officer, African Division, Lou Mazel of the Office of Regional Security Affairs, speaking on African issues, Jim Dickmeyer, Western Hemisphere expert, and Les Johnston, Ecuador Director.
- **Millennium Challenge Corporation**, Ariel BenYishay, Associate Director of Economic Analysis and Evaluation in the Department of Policy & International Relations
- **Greenpeace DC Headquarters**, Phil Kline and Beth Fitzgerald Oceans Campaigners speaking on their fish campaign and save the whales efforts.
- Guided tour and talk of the **Sans Ocean Hall Exhibit** with Elizabeth Ban, Education Coordinator, Smithsonian Museum of Natural History.
- **Smithsonian National Zoo**, Mike Henley discussion of coral reef preservation efforts, and guided tour of the invertebrate exhibit
- Chad Bissonnette, Founder of **Roots of Development**, a water advocacy program in Haiti
- Daniel Hayden, **RARE Conservation** Global Programs Coordinator – discussing RARE's approach to community environmental conservation.
- John Sauer, Communication Director of **Water Advocates** – discussing global water, sanitation and hygiene issues

- Matt Lewis, Senior Program Officer, **World Wildlife Fund** – specializing in African species
- Elizabeth Guilbaud-Cox, Senior Programme Officer of the **UN Environment Program** and Bill Mansfield, retired Senior Advisor to the Executive Director of UNEP
- **USAID** specialists, Hannah Fairbank, biodiversity specialist and Adam Reinhart, Bureau for Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade speaking on Haiti.
- **FINCA**, micro-finance organization, three specialists presenting the organization’s work and discussing the role(s) of micro-finance.
- **SOS Villages International**, Heather Paul ,US Director
- **World Resources Institute** – Randall Snodgrass, Director, US Government Cooperation. Tour of their gold standard LEED certified green building, as designated by the Green Building Council.