## **About the Ethics and Ecological Economics Forum**

Since January 2014, the EEE Forum has met monthly during the academic year for presentations and discussion of compelling public policy issues that involve ethics, economics, and ecology (in its social and nature-based, senses). The Forum seeks a balance between striving for greater conceptual clarity on such matters and networking to share reliable information and opportunities for action to enhance the common good. Sessions are free and open to the public, courtesy of the lliff School of Theology; occasionally, Forums are held at DU. However, there is no formal affiliation of the Forum with Iliff or with DU.

Our sessions have focused primarily on the science, economics, psychology, and ethics of climate change and prospects for effective responses. In 2018, speakers also examined alternatives to GDP and other consumption-based metrics in a search for more comprehensive measures of human and ecological wellbeing. In the fall, we focused on health in relation to climate and wellbeing. Forum topics in 2019 will include closer examinations of carbon pricing and measuring human and ecological wellbeing in Colorado.

## 2018 EEE Forum Topics and Speakers

JANUARY: Measuring Economic Well-Being: The Genuine Progress Indicator -- \*Chris Stiffler, Economist, Colorado Fiscal Institute

FEBRUARY: Carbon Pricing: Signs of Bipartisanship – \*David Carlson, EEE Forum Convener; \*Kathleen Wells and \*Douglas Alde, Citizens' Climate Lobby; \*Paul Belanger and Ron Larson, New Energy Colorado

MARCH: *Natural Climate Solutions* -- \*Betsy Neely, Climate Change Program Manager, The Nature Conservancy; and \*Paul Belanger, New Energy Colorado;

APRIL: "Toward a Sustainable Wellbeing Economy" -- \*Paul Sutton, Professor, DU Dept. of Geography and the Environment

MAY: "The Colorado Narrative Project: Changing Priorities, Maintaining Core Values" -- Denise Whinnen, Director of Colorado Programs, the Gill Foundation

SEPTEMBER: "Addressing Public Health and Climate Change: The Colorado Climate Plan" -- \*Mike Silverstein, Executive Director, Regional Air Quality Council

OCTOBER: "Climate and Health in Colorado"

-- \*Chrissy Esposito and Karam Ahmad, Policy Analysts, Colorado Health Institute

NOVEMBER: "Health Equity for ALL Coloradans"

-- \*Ned Calonge, President and CEO, The Colorado Trust

\*Indicates that a PowerPoint presentation is available on the EEE Forum webpage, managed by Paul Belanger. Visit <a href="http://denverclimatestudygroup.com/?page\_id=683">http://denverclimatestudygroup.com/?page\_id=683</a>.

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