



International Session
Invasive Species and the Green Economy
February 28, 2012

U.S. Department of the Interior
Yates Auditorium
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Overview: Invasive species can pose substantial threats to natural resources and, in turn, green economic growth. Forestry, aquaculture, horticulture, farming and fishing are all vulnerable to the impacts of invasive species. At the same time, proactive actions to address invasive species concerns directly support efforts to address issues such as global climate change adaptation, food security, conservation of biodiversity and, therefore, the Green Economy. This session will provide overviews on the Green Economy with special emphasis on invasive species from a U.S. and island nation perspective. These broad discussions will be under-pinned with specific examples of invasive species impacts on green economy.

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| 3:15-3:20 pm | Introductions
<i>Phil Andreozzi, National Invasive Species Council</i> |
| 3:20-3:45 pm | Overview of the Green Economy
<i>Lawrence J. Gumbiner, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State in the Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, U.S. Department of State</i> |
| 3:45 –4:05 pm | Impact of Invasive Algae on fishing: A Threat to Food Security for an Island's Green Economy
<i>Dr. Celia Smith, University of Hawaii</i> |
| 4:05-4:25 pm | The Potential Link of Some Biofuels and Invasive Species
<i>Dr. Jerry Cook, Institute for the Study of Invasive Species</i> |
| 4:25-4:50 pm | The Green Economy from an Island Perspective
<i>Ambassador Ronnie Jumeau, Republic of the Seychelles Ambassador to the United States and the United Nations</i> |
| 4:50–5:20 pm | Question and answer session |