



ASPO-USA Conference Oct. 7 - 9: Agenda Now Available

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ASPO-USA's 6th Annual Peak Oil Conference will honor its traditional core focus with a full [agenda](#) and world-class speakers who understand the global peak oil energy crisis and its complex socioeconomic and geopolitical impacts.

Speakers include Jeff Rubin (Former CIBC Chief Economist), Rear Admiral Lawrence Rice (on the military's Peak Oil Report), Congressman Roscoe Bartlett, Dr. Bob Hirsch, Dr. Roger Bezdek, Dr. Tad Patzek, Nicole Foss, Chris Skrebowski, Charlie Maxwell, and John Michael Greer.

Oil Drum staff speaking at the plenary session include Arthur Berman and Dave Summers (Heading Out). Dave Murphy, Jeff Vail, Debbie Cook and Gail Tverberg will be speaking in breakout sessions. There will also be several Oil Drum "regulars" speaking, including Andre Angelantoni, Jeffrey Brown, and Jonathan Callahan.

As Peak Oil Moves into the mainstream, consumer advocate and policy expert Ralph Nader and Climate and Energy advocate Bianca Jagger will lend their support as well.

View the full speaker list [here](#).

View the agenda [here](#).

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Agenda Highlights

Thursday, October 7, 2010

Time

Session

12:00 PM to 1:30 PM

Concurrent Breakout Sessions 1

TRACK A: Peak Oil: Scenario Planning: Preparing for Days Ahead

Moderator: [Dick Vodra](#), Worldview Two Planning

- [André Angelantoni](#), Post Peak Living
- [John Michael Greer](#), author of The Archdruid Report

TRACK B: The Outlook for Net Exports of Oil, Natural Gas and Coal

Moderator: [Ron Swenson](#), ASPO-USA

- [Jeffrey Brown](#), Independent Petroleum Geologist
- [Jonathan Callahan](#), Independent consultant

1:30 PM to 3:00 PM Concurrent Breakout Sessions 2**TRACK A: Peak Oil: Investing Beyond Oil & Gas**

Moderator: [Jim Hansen](#), Ravenna Capital Management

Speakers:

- [Charles Schlumberger](#), The World Bank
- [Gregor Macdonald](#), Gregor.us
- [Kevin Hansen](#), Ravenna Capital Management
- [Lily Donge](#), Calvert Asset Management Co.

TRACK B: Analysis from The Oil Drum

Moderator: [Gail Tverberg](#), Editor, The Oil Drum, "What might trigger a downturn in world oil production"

Speakers:

- [Dave Murphy](#), EROI Institute, SUNY-ESF "EROI, Insidious Feedbacks, and the End of Economic Growth"
- [Dave Summers](#), Curators' Professor at Missouri University of Science and Technology, "Reaching a Peak? or is this just a Technical Challenge?"
- [Jeff Vail](#), Jeff Vail, LLC, Rescuing Suburbia

TRACK C: Message, Media and Outreach

Moderator: [Jim Baldauf](#), Co-Founder and Board Member ASPO-USA

Speakers:

- [Tyson Slocum](#), Director, Public Citizen's Energy Program
- [David Room](#), Co-founder of Bay Localize Board Member ASPO-USA
- [Sharon Astyk](#), Writer and Board Member ASPO-USA

3:00 PM to 3:15 PM Break

3:15 PM to 4:45 PM Concurrent Breakout Sessions 3**TRACK A: Peak Oil: Strategies for Oil & Gas Investing**

Moderator: [Jim Hansen](#), Ravenna Capital Management

Speakers:

- [Charlie Maxwell](#), Weeden & Co
- [Jason Stevens](#), Morningstar, Inc.
- [Eric Chenoweth](#), Morningstar, Inc.
- [Jim Baldauf](#), Co-Founder and Board Member

TRACK B: Post-Carbon Responses to the Sustainability Quandry

Presented by Post Carbon Institute

How do energy, economic, and environmental issues impact one another? What can we do to address one problem without making the others worse?

Moderator: [Debbie Cook](#), Board President, Post Carbon Institute

Speakers:

- PCI Fellows [Chris Martenson](#), [Cindy Parker](#), and [Tom Whipple](#); and Post Carbon Reader editor [Daniel Lerch](#).

TRACK C: Energy Alternatives: What Will Work?

Using energy science in Public Policy and the need for an accurate energy scorecard

Moderator: [Ron Swenson](#), Board Member ASPO-USA

Speakers:

- [Charlie Hall](#), Professor, ESF/SUNY: "Assessing EROI for Old and New Energy Technologies"
- [Bill James](#), President, JIT Corp: "Governing by economic work per unit of energy"
- [Carey King](#), Center for International Energy and Environmental Policy, University of Texas: "Envisioning EROI from supply to demand, from old to new energy"

4:45 PM to 6:00 PM **Meet and Greet Opening Reception**

Join the conference speakers; network. Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar.

6:00 PM to 7:30 PM **Evening Keynote: Energy and National Security**

Conference Introduction by **Roscoe Bartlett**

Moderator: [Tom Whipple](#), ASPO-USA

- [Lawrence Rice](#), Rear Admiral - Director of Strategy and Policy U.S. Joint Forces Command
- [Michael Klare](#), Professor Hampshire College
- [Daniel Davis](#), Lieutenant-Colonel United States Army

7:30 PM to 9:00 PM **Exclusive Networking Event with Keynote Speakers and Energy Leaders**

Limited space available. Pre-registration required. Limited to 100 people and part of the peak aware package

Friday, October 8, 2010

Time

Session

7:00 AM to 5:00 PM **Plenary Day 1: The Energy Outlook**

7:00 AM to 8:00 AM Continental Breakfast

7:00 AM to 5:00 PM Conference Registration

8:00 AM to 10:00 AM **The Peak Oil Picture**

Moderator: [Michael Klare](#), Hampshire College

- [Chris Skrebowski](#), Energy Institute, London "*Latest Analysis of Future Oil Supply Capacity*"
- [Jeremy Gilbert](#), Barrelmore Ltd

Question and Answer

Keynote Address: [Dr. James Schlesinger](#), Former Secretary of State and CIA Director "*The Peak Oil Debate is Over*"

10:00 AM to 10:30 AM **Fuel Standards For Trucks: Caveats And Implications For Oil Consumption**

- [Dr. Roger H Bezdek](#), PhD, President, Management Information Services, Inc.

10:45 AM to 12:00 PM **Natural Gas: Abundance or Mirage**

Moderator: [Dr. Tad Patzek](#), Department of Petroleum and Geosystems Engineering, The University of Texas at Austin

- [Arthur Berman](#), Director, Labyrinth Consulting Services, Inc.

- [Charles Maxwell](#), Senior Energy Analyst, Weeden & Co

Question and Answer

12:00 PM to 1:30 PM **Lunch Keynote and Awards**

Oil and the End of Globalization

[Jeff Rubin](#), former chief economist at CIBC World Markets

Presentation of **M.K. Hubbert** and **Whipple** awards

1:30 PM to 3:00 PM **The Coal Question**

Moderator: [Dr. David A. Summers](#), Curators' Professor at Missouri University of Science Technology

- [Kjell Aleklett](#), Uppsala University, Sweden Outlook for Coal

- [Dr. David Rutledge](#), California Institute of Technology, Coal, Climate Change, and Peak Oil

Question and Answer

3:00 PM to 3:30 PM Networking Break

3:30 PM to 5:00 PM **The Link Between Energy and The Economy**

Moderator: [Dr. Robert Hirsch](#), Senior Energy Advisor MISI

- [Dr. Chris Martenson](#), Energy Analyst and Creator, "The Crash Course"

- [Nicole Foss](#), The Automatic Earth, "The Post-Peak Economy"

Question and Answer

5:00 PM to 5:30 PM **Summary / Responder and Wrap-Up**

Panel of plenary speakers respond to the days proceedings

Including [Jeff Rubin](#) and [Charlie Maxwell](#)

5:30 PM to 6:30 PM **Networking Reception**

Please join us for hors d'oeuvres in exhibit area

6:30 PM to 7:30 PM **Evening Keynote and Discussion**

"The Impending World Energy Mess - What it is and What it Means to You"

- [Dr. Robert Hirsch](#), Senior Energy Advisor MISI

7:30 PM to 10:00 PM **Speakers Dinner**

Advanced registration and payment required

Saturday, October 9, 2010

Time

Session

7:00 AM to 7:30 PM

Plenary Day 2: Beyond Oil: Policy & Solutions

7:00 AM to 8:00 AM

Continental Breakfast

7:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Conference Registration

8:00 AM to 8:15 PM

Opening Remarks

[Terry Backer](#), State Representative, State of Connecticut

8:00 AM to 9:30 AM

Systemic Vulnerabilities

Moderator: [Dr. Tad Patzek](#), Department of Petroleum and Geosystems Engineering, The University of Texas at Austin

The Gulf Spill, the Future of Exploration and the Emerging Liquid Fuel Crisis

- [Dr. David A. Summers](#), Curators' Professor at Missouri University of Science Technology

- [Arthur Berman](#), Director, Labyrinth Consulting Services, Inc.

- [Rick Munroe](#), Energy Security Analyst, National Farmers Union of Canada

Question and Answer

10:00 AM to 10:30 AM Networking Break

10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

The Laws of Energy, Technology and Scale

Moderator: [Ron Swenson](#), Board Member ASPO-USA

- [Dr. Tad Patzek](#), Department of Petroleum and Geosystems Engineering, The University of Texas at Austin

- [Ken Zweibel](#), Director The George Washington University Solar Institute

Question and Answer

12:00 PM to 1:30 PM

Lunch and Keynote

Matt Simmons remembrance and establishment of Simmons Memorial Award for Energy Innovation

Lunch Keynote on Energy and Policy by [Ralph Nader](#)

1:30 PM to 2:00 PM Networking Break

2:00 PM to 4:00 PM **Can We Fill The Gap? Energy, Transportation and Food**

Moderator: [Debbie Cook](#), Former Mayor of City of Huntington Beach, Post Carbon Institute

- [Dr. Charles E Schlumberger](#), Principal Air Transport Specialist: *"The Future of Air Transportation"*
- [Anthony Perl](#), Author, *"Transport Revolutions: Moving People and Freight without Oil"*
- [Fred Morse](#), U.S. senior adviser to Abengoa Solar: *"Large Scale Renewable Energy"*
- [Sharon Astyk](#), Writer and Board Member ASPO-USA: *"Feeding A Planet after Peak Oil"*

4:00 PM to 5:15 PM **Where Do We Go From Here?**

Question and Answer session with the day's speakers followed by closing remarks



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