

Please join us at our next **Carbon Monitoring System (CMS) Applications Policy Speaker Series** talk:

New and Future Developments in Methane Policy and Technology

Tuesday, September 22, 2015

12-1 PM Eastern Time

NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, Building 33, H114

Coffee and refreshments will be available

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About the Talk

Methane emissions rapidly have become recognized as a core contributor to the rate of climate change in the near term. This talk will provide a perspective on ongoing and potential future regulations of methane and associated pollutants in the oil and gas industry, and a view of the methane detection technologies and approaches of today and tomorrow. Potential information needs of key stakeholder groups such as non-profits, operating companies, and policy makers, will be discussed.

About Our Speaker



Ben Ratner leads corporate engagement initiatives to minimize methane emissions from the oil and natural gas industry at the [Environmental Defense Fund](#). His focus is developing innovative collaborations across diverse stakeholder groups to build the leadership, technology and information necessary to reduce emissions aggressively and cost effectively.

Prior to joining EDF, Ben advised large corporate clients in a range of industries, as Senior Associate at the management consulting firm McKinsey & Co. Ben also practiced law at international law firm Latham & Watkins, LLP, with a focus on environmental law and regulation. He is a graduate of Stanford Law School, where he led the Mock Trial Program. Ben also is a graduate of Rice University, and former participant in Stanford Graduate School of Business's Ignite program on entrepreneurship.

Ben's work has been featured in the Houston Chronicle, Dallas Morning News, National Geographic, and Fast Company.

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