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Te Whare Wānanga o Ōtago

Seminar Series

presents

Local Renewable Energy Policies and Actions: Global Survey and Prospects for New Zealand

by Dr. Eric Martinot

Dr. Martinot is the lead author of the widely-used REN21 *Renewables Global Status Report* and a prominent international expert on renewable energy. He is senior research director at the Institute for Sustainable Energy Policies in Tokyo, teaching and research associate of Tsinghua University in Beijing, and teaching and research fellow at Victoria University of Wellington.

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City and local governments can play a key role in encouraging renewable energy at the local level. The multiple roles of these local governments—as decision-makers, planning authorities, managers of municipal infrastructure, and role models for citizens and businesses—are crucial to the global transition to renewable energy now underway.

A new report provides a global overview of policies and activities by cities around the world to promote renewable energy. The *Global Status Report on Local Renewable Energy Policies* catalogues the policies of 180 cities and local governments around the world. The report also gives specific examples of these policies and detailed case descriptions for 45 cities. The report shows that local policy and action have become very significant and that cities employ many approaches to renewable energy policy.

The report was developed by Dr. Martinot in collaboration with the international renewable energy policy network REN21, the international group ICLEI Local Governments for sustainability, and a team of global research partners, including the NZ Centre for Sustainable Cities.

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