

**Center on Nanotechnology and Society  
1<sup>st</sup> Annual Nanopolicy Conference**

***NanoWorld: Toward a Policy for  
the Human Future***

April 28, 2006  
National Press Club  
Washington, D.C.

Although “nano” has become a pop culture buzzword, studies on nano’s public perception have raised flags about governmental oversight and safety concerns and its potential impact on all aspects of human society—including human nature itself. So, what should be done as we embark on the nano century?

To address these issues and a panoply of others, the Center on Nanotechnology and Society at Chicago-Kent College of Law/Illinois Institute of Technology is hosting the premier nanopolicy conference of 2006 in Washington, D.C., featuring:

- A keynote address by Mihail C. Roco, Senior Advisor for Nanotechnology at the National Science Foundation;
- Congressman Dave Weldon (R-FL);
- Congressman Mike Honda (D-CA);
- Sean Murdock, Executive Director of the NanoBusiness Alliance;
- Candace Stuart, Editor-in-Chief of *Small Times*; and
- Other leading nano experts from policy, law, business, and the social sciences.

*A complete agenda follows below.*

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**Agenda**

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8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

**Registration**

9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

**Welcome and Introductions**

- Nigel M. de S. Cameron, Ph.D.  
Director  
Center on Nanotechnology and Society  
Associate Dean and Research Professor of Bioethics  
Chicago-Kent College of Law  
Illinois Institute of Technology



9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Keynote Address**

- Mihail C. Roco, Ph.D.  
Senior Advisor for Nanotechnology  
National Science Foundation



10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

**Response Panel to Keynote Address**

Moderator:

- David Guston, Ph.D.  
Principal Investigator and Director  
Center for Nanotechnology in Society Arizona State University



Panelists:

- Andrew Kimbrell, J.D.  
Executive Director  
International Center for Technology Assessment
- Christine Peterson  
Founder and Vice President of Public Policy Foresight Nanotech  
Institute
- Charles Rubin, Ph.D.  
Associate Professor of Political Science and Graduate Faculty  
Graduate Center for Social and Public Policy  
Duquesne University



10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

**Break**

11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

**Is Nano the Driver of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Economy?**

- Sean Murdock, M.B.A., M.E.M.  
Executive Director  
NanoBusiness Alliance



11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**Response Panel**

Moderator:

- David Guston, Ph.D.  
Principal Investigator and Director  
Center for Nanotechnology in Society  
Arizona State University

Panelists:

- Brent Blackwelder, Ph.D.  
President  
Friends of the Earth
- John Sargent  
Senior Policy Analyst  
Office of Technology Policy  
U.S. Department of Commerce
- Candace Stuart, M.A.  
Editor-in-Chief  
*Small Times*



**12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Lunch**

**1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Nanotechnology: Policy for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**

Moderator:

- Nigel M. de S. Cameron, Ph.D.  
Director  
Center on Nanotechnology and Society Associate Dean and Research  
Professor of Bioethics  
Chicago-Kent College of Law  
Illinois Institute of Technology

Panelists:

- Congressman Mike Honda, M.A. (D-CA)
- Congressman Brad Sherman (D-CA)
- Congressman Dave Weldon, M.D. (R-FL)
- Representative from Congressman Sherwood Boehlert's Office (R-NY)



**2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Break**

**2:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. Technology for a Human Future? – NELSI Questions**

Moderator:

- Davis Baird, Ph.D.  
Dean  
South Carolina Honors College  
Director  
*nano*Science and Technology Studies Group  
NanoCenter  
University of South Carolina



Panelists:

- Richard Denison, Ph.D.  
Senior Scientist  
Environmental Health Program  
Environmental Defense



- Sonia E. Miller, J.D., M.B.A., M.S.Ed.  
S.E. MILLER LAW FIRM  
Founder and Global President  
Converging Technologies Bar Association



- Ellen Mitchell, Ph.D.  
Director  
[Institute of Psychology](#)  
Senior Fellow  
Center on Nanotechnology and Society  
Illinois Institute of Technology



- David Prentice, Ph.D.  
Senior Fellow for Life Sciences  
Family Research Council



4:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

**Agenda for the Human Future: Priorities for the Policy Community**

- Nigel M. de S. Cameron, Ph.D.  
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