

The Global Energy Outlook: The Future of Fossil Fuels

Ivey Idea Forum: Expert Panel Event

Event Information

October 6, 2016 Ivey Tangerine Leadership Centre, 130 King St. W., Toronto

Summary

Global consumption of fossil fuels has steadily marched upwards for many decades, despite various governments' attempts to curb their usage, buoying the economies of fossil fuel-exporting countries such as Canada. Yet will this historic trend continue in the future? Future demand for fossil fuels depends in part on the pace of energy technology innovation. Recent technological advances in low carbon energy sources, such as batteries for electric vehicles and renewable power generation, could make alternatives more cost competitive relative to oil and natural gas technologies. The global supply of fossil fuels could also come under pressure if low cost reserves of oil, gas and coal become exhausted. Carbon pricing and other public policies designed to limit greenhouse gas emissions will further make their mark on fossil fuel usage, though the extent is debated.

For expert insights, please join this Idea Forum, "The Global Energy Outlook: The Future of Fossil Fuels", featuring a keynote lecture by Professor Michael Greenstone, University of Chicago, and a discussion by Steve Carlisle, President of General Motors Canada. The event is organized by the Ivey Business School's Energy Policy and Management Centre.

Host

Professor Guy Holburn, Director, Ivey Energy Policy and Management Centre

Thursday, October 6th

4:00 pm – 4:30 pm	Registration
4:30 pm – 6:00 pm	Expert Panel: The Global Energy Outlook: The Future of Fossil Fuels
4:30 pm – 4:35 pm	Welcome: Guy Holburn, Director, Ivey Energy Policy and Management Centre, Ivey Business School, University of Western Ontario
4:35 pm – 5:55 pm	Expert Panel and Discussion
	Michael Greenstone , Milton Friedman Professor in Economics, University of Chicago; Director, Energy Policy Institute of Chicago
	Steve Carlisle , President and Managing Director, General Motors of Canada
5:55 pm – 6:00 pm	Closing Remarks: Guy Holburn
	Meeting Room: King Room
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Reception Cocktails and Appetizers