

About the Participants

A. Myrick Freeman III is professor of economics at Bowdoin College and visiting professor at the University of Washington. He has been a Fellow of Resources for the Future, a consultant to the Environmental Defense Fund and the Sierra Club, and an advisor to the Environmental Protection Agencies of both the United States and Canada. He has testified before several committees of the House and Senate, and served on committees and panels of the National Academy of Sciences, the National Commission on Air Quality, and the Office of Technology Assessment. His main areas of research are the economics of environmental quality, efficiency and redistribution criteria in public investments, and international trade. He is the author of nearly seventy articles as well as four books, including *International Trade: An Introduction to Method and Theory*, *The Economics of Environmental Policy* (with Robert Haveman and Allen V. Kneese), *Pollution, Resources, and the Environment—A Book of Readings* (with Alain C. Enthoven), and *The Benefits of Environmental Improvement: Theory and Practice*.

Derek Parfit was born in 1942 and educated at Oxford University. He took an M.A. in modern history in 1965, and did advanced work at Harvard, Columbia, and New York Universities on a Harkness Fellowship. In 1967 he returned to Oxford as a Fellow of All Souls College, a position he holds at present. He has been visiting professor at Harvard, Princeton, Temple, and New York Universities. In 1977 he was awarded the triennial T. H. Green Prize in Moral Philosophy for his work on rationality. In 1978 he delivered the Annual Philosophical Lecture at the British Academy.

Mr. Parfit is best known for his work on personal identity, moral problems of population, and the concept of rationality and its relation to the foundations of morality and economics. His essays include "Personal Identity," "Later Selves and Moral Principles," "Rights, Interests and Possible People," "On Doing the Best for Our Children," "Is Common-Sense Morality Self-Defeating?" and "Prudence, Morality, and the Prisoner's Dilemma." He is currently visiting professor at the University of Colorado, where he is associated with the Center for the Study of Values and Social Policy.

Nicholas Rescher is University Professor of Philosophy at the University of Pittsburgh, where he has been since 1961. On two occasions he has served as chairman of his department, and presently is director of the Center of Philosophy of Science. Born in Germany in 1928, he is the author of over 40 books on a wide variety of philosophical subjects. He has pioneered in the revival and refurbishing of the idealistic tradition in epistemology and metaphysics in the light of ideas drawn from American pragmatism. During 1969-1975, Professor Rescher served a term as Secretary General of the International Union of History and Philosophy of Science (an organ of UNESCO). He has been the editor of the *American Philosophical Quarterly* since 1964. An honorary L.H.D. degree was awarded to Mr. Rescher in 1970 by Loyola University of Chicago "in recognition of his contributions to philosophy."

Two recent books offer discussions of Mr. Rescher's work by some of the leading philosophers of the day: Ernest Sosa (ed.), *The Philosophy of Nicholas Rescher* (Dordrecht: Reidel, 1979); and Robert Almeder (ed.), *Praxis and Reason: Studies in the Philosophy of Nicholas Rescher* (Washington, D.C.: University Press of America, 1982).

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Bertram Morris joined the faculty of the University of Colorado in the fall of 1947. He was a distinguished scholar and teacher, as well as an active member of the community. His published works include *The Aesthetic Process*, *Philosophical Aspects of Culture*, and *Institutions of Intelligence*. He was a member of the Executive Committee of the American Philosophical Association, a member of the National Council of the American Association of University Professors, and a member of the State Board of the Colorado Civil Liberties Union. While at the University of Colorado, he won the Thomas Jefferson Award and the award of Research Lecturer. Throughout his career he was noted for his teaching, his participation in faculty governance, and his committed involvement in the social issues of the Boulder community. He initiated and directed an outreach program which still continues at Manual High School in Denver. He was a trustee of the State of Colleges and University Consortium of Colorado. In token of their admiration and gratitude his departmental colleagues instituted this colloquium upon his retirement.

April 1

7:30 p.m. Hellems 252

Welcoming remarks

Keynote Address: Professor Nicholas Rescher, University Professor of Philosophy, University of Pittsburgh
"Ethics, Economics, Politics, and the Environment"

9:00 p.m.

Main Lounge, University Club
Reception

April 2

9:00 a.m. UMC 157

Professor A. Myrick Freeman III,
Professor of Economics, Bowdoin College

"The Ethical Basis of the Economic View of the Environment"

Comments by Derek Parfit and Nicholas Rescher

11:00 a.m.

UMC 157 and 158

Small Group Discussions
Law and the Environment—

David Getches, CU Law School

Leonard Boonin, CU Philosophy Dept.

Value Issues in Air Quality Management—

Skip Spensley, NCAR

Jerry Martin, CU Philosophy Dept.

Environmental Policy in Boulder—

Phil Stern, Boulder City Council

David Hawkins, CU Philosophy Dept.

Value Issues in Water Policy—

William Lord, Policy Science Assoc.

Howard Smokler, CU Philosophy Dept.

1:30 p.m. UMC 157

Professor R. G. Frey
Department of Philosophy, University of Liverpool and University of Toronto
"On the Alleged Possibility of an Environmental Ethic"

3:00 p.m. UMC 157

Mr. Derek Parfit
Fellow of All Souls College, Oxford University
"Energy Policy and the Further Future"
Comments by A. Myrick Freeman III and Nicholas Rescher

April 3

Contributed Papers—UMC 157

9:00 a.m. Session I

Professor Flora Leibowitz

Department of Philosophy, Oregon State University

"Why Risk-Benefit and Cost-Benefit

Analysis are not Impartial: Reflections on Machtyre and Beauchamp"

10:30 a.m. Session II

Professor Peter S. Wenz

Department of Philosophy, Sangaman State University

"Ethics, Energy Policy, and Future Generations"

12:30 p.m. Luncheon Break

1:30 p.m. Session III

Professor S. K. Lehmann

Department of Philosophy, University of Connecticut

"Shadow Pricing, Preference

Utilitarianism, and Public Policy Analysis"

3:30 p.m. Session IV

Professor Donald Scherer

Department of Philosophy, Bowling Green State University
"The Game of Games"

12:30 p.m. Luncheon Break