



*HOW ALLOCATION OF
NATURAL RESOURCES
IMPACTS OUR NATIONAL
SECURITY*

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Economic globalization coupled with increasing pressures on our environment are making our world a much more complex (and some believe dangerous) place in which to live and work. Prof. Richard A. Matthew with the Schools of Social Ecology and Social Science at the University of California at Irvine, and founding Director of the Center for Unconventional Security Affairs, will offer his unique insight into our world's complexities and what, if anything, we can do to adapt our lives and lifestyles to the international phenomena that are impacting us daily. Specifically, Prof. Matthew's studies are focused on (a) the environmental dimensions of conflict and peacebuilding; (b) climate change adaptation in conflict and post-conflict societies; and (c) the process of transitioning societies from crisis to sustainability. Recognized worldwide for his academic work, he is also a Senior Fellow at the International Institute for Sustainable Development in Geneva; a senior member of the United Nations Expert Group on Environment, Conflict and Peacebuilding and has served on 12 UN missions; and a member of the World Conservation Union's Commission on Environmental, Economic and Social Policy. Prof. Matthew earned his BA degree from McGill University and his PhD from Princeton.