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RFF Connection is a regular newsletter from Resources for the Future that alerts subscribers to new RFF research and policy analysis on environmental, energy, natural resource, and public health issues, forthcoming events, and selected media highlights.

RFF at Copenhagen Climate Summit



COP15
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Onsite - and online – at the Copenhagen climate talks, Resources for the Future will keep you informed of daily developments through Weathervane, RFF's climate policy blog. [Read the full feature.](#)

The Role of Prizes in Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Experts from research, government, and academia shared their views on science prizes and how they might contribute to solving environmental challenges. [Video and audio available here.](#)

Forest Carbon Index Maps the Geography of Climate Solutions



The innovative Forest Carbon Index uses geospatial data to estimate each nation's potential to attract forest carbon investment based on profit potential and country-specific risk factors. [Read the full feature.](#)

New Research from RFF

[Climate Change Governance: Boundaries and Leakage](#)

[REDD in Design: Assessment of Planned First-Generation Activities in Indonesia](#)

[Responding to Threats of Climate Change Mega-Catastrophies](#)

Media Highlights

Amazon is Best Site for Forest Carbon Investments

December 3, 2009, *Nature*

RFF's Forest Carbon Index is detailed in *Nature* magazine's online coverage, including implications for forest protection in the Copenhagen climate negotiations. [Read the full story.](#)

Good Climate Policy, and Bad

December 3, 2009, *The Economist*

Data from a paper by RFF Senior Fellow Carolyn Fischer and coauthor Richard Newell (also an RFF Senior Fellow when the paper was written) is cited in an article on climate policy options in the December 3, 2009, issue of *The Economist*. [Read the full story.](#)

Save the Date

December 15, 2009

Seventh Annual Hans Landsberg Lecture with Rosina Bierbaum: "The Changing Climate for Development"

Weekly Policy Commentary

Overcoming Distributional Obstacles to Market-Based Environmental Policies

by Roberton Williams

weathervane RFF's Climate Policy Blog

Check out Weathervane's new daily updates on climate and energy news from around the web.

Regulating GHG's: Can the EPA Dodge a Train?

by Nathan Richardson

Negotiating Copenhagen's Non-Negotiables

by Andrew Stevenson

Publications



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Researcher Spotlight



Nigel Purvis outlines the Forest Carbon Index, which shows how deforestation can be controlled in tropical regions. [Watch the video.](#)

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RFF improves environmental and natural resources policymaking worldwide through objective social science research of the highest caliber.