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Safeguarding Human Health on a
Rapidly Changing Planet



Dr. Samuel Myers

*Director, Johns Hopkins Institute
for Planetary Health*

TUESDAY

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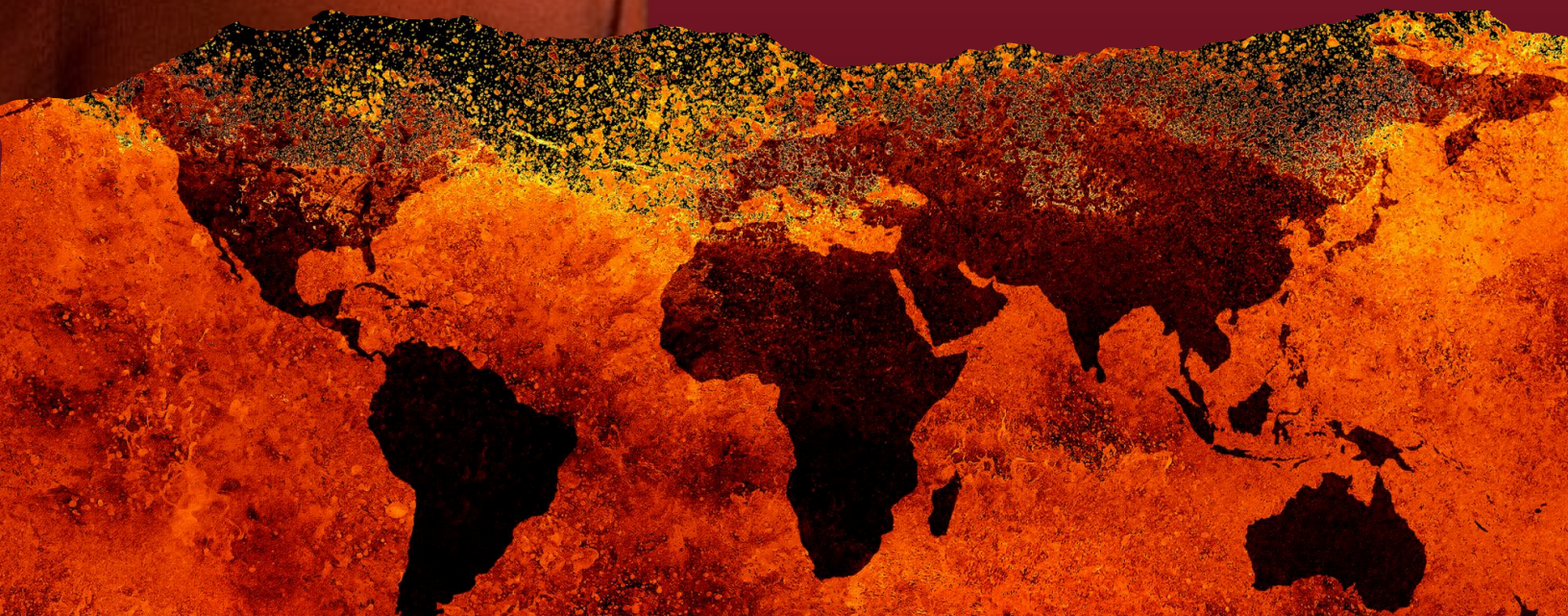
5:00 PM

CLARK FOX FORUM
HILLMAN HALL
DANFORTH CAMPUS

Reception immediately following



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About

The S.T. Lee Endowed Lectureship offers unique opportunities for students at WashU and the St. Louis community to learn about the issues of global leadership. The series has been made possible by a generous gift from Dr. Seng Tee Lee, through his establishment of The S.T. Lee Endowed Lecture Fund to the McDonnell International Scholars Academy. The series hosts distinguished guest speakers in business, academia, government, and the nonprofit sector from around the world.

Program

5:00 PM INTRODUCTION

Lora Iannotti

Professor
Brown School
WashU

Vijay Ramani

Vice Provost for Graduate
Education and International
Affairs; Roma B. & Raymond H.
Wittcoff Distinguished
University Professor; Executive
Director, McDonnell International
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LECTURE

Samuel Myers

*Safeguarding Human Health
on a Rapidly Changing Planet*

6:30 PM RECEPTION

Hillman Hall Lobby



Featured Speaker

Samuel Myers

Through his research, writing, and leadership of the Planetary Health Alliance and Institute for Planetary Health, Sam Myers, MD, MPH is a pioneer in developing and growing the field of Planetary Health.

Sam Myers is interested in policy interventions to improve human health while stabilizing Earth's natural systems. As Director of the Johns Hopkins Institute for Planetary Health and the Planetary Health Alliance, Myers oversees multi-institutional efforts (over 466 organizations in over 78 countries) focused on understanding and quantifying the human health impacts of global environmental change and translating that understanding into action globally. He is the co-editor with Howard Frumkin of "Planetary Health: Protecting Nature to Protect Ourselves," which was voted one of the 25 Best Books of All Time by American Journal of Health Promotion in 2021. Myers has authored over 100 peer reviewed articles and book chapters.

Prior to joining Johns Hopkins University, Myers was a Principal Research Scientist at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. His projects include exploring the human nutritional consequences of rising concentrations of CO2 in the atmosphere, falling populations of pollinating insects, changes in global fisheries in response to ocean warming, and impacts of climate shocks and market responses on food security in Africa. For his research, Myers as the inaugural recipient of the Arrell Global Food Innovation Award in 2018 and Prince Albert II of Monaco prize for research at the interface of health and environment in 2015.