



GEOGRAPHY 2050: COOPERATION & CONFLICT IN A CHANGING CLIMATE

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The fate of the planet may rest on whether increased cooperation or conflict dominates in the next few decades as we respond to pressures brought by a changing climate. Will we see cooperative measures aimed at mitigation and adaptation or violent conflict magnifying environmental disruptions and degrading global governance and markets? By 2050, will the nations of the world be working together collaboratively to reduce greenhouse gas concentrations, share innovations in climate adaptation, and address inequities and humanitarian emergencies? Or will they be vying for control over highly stressed natural resources, hardening their borders and restricting trade and mobility, withdrawing from global agreements, and spending more on militaries than on climate solutions? What will the future geography of cooperation and conflict look like around the globe? What are the implications of these contrasting scenarios, and are there key inflection points or hotspots that may be critical in determining future directions and outcomes?

Symposium Themes

- **Climate Migration, Refugees, and Interstate Tension**
- **Environmental Security and Sustaining Peace**
- **Managing the Global Commons**
- **The Geo-Ethics of Geo-Engineering**
- **Observing Conflict and Cooperation Globally, Regionally, and Locally**
- **Environmental Treaties and Agreements**
- **Can GeoAI Foster Collaboration or Enhance Conflict?**
- **The Future Geography of Climate (In)Justice**

Geo2050 Includes:

- Plenary Sessions
- Lightning Talk Sessions
- Breakfast, Lunch, and Breaks
- Welcome/Closing Receptions
- Professional Networking



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