About The Lecture

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Worldwide, humanity is experiencing an increase in life expectancy, food yields, literacy and democratization. Unfortunately, humanity is also experiencing increased concerns regarding climate change, loss of natural resources, overfishing, species extinction as well as several countries facing political unrest.

Homo sapiens are landlocked. With human population estimations at 11-15 Billion people by the year 2100, how will humanity resolve these environmental and political concerns? Although NASA and private space exploration serve as a source of cutting edge research, The Seasteading Institute believes that answers to current environmental and political concerns lie within the ocean: The Blue Frontier. Two thirds of the Earth’s surface is covered in water. The oceans serve as largely untapped source of sustainable and renewable resources. Dr. Saldivar will examine and discuss The Seasteading Institute’s mission of using the Blue Frontier to clean the atmosphere, cure the sick, feed the hungry, enrich the poor and alleviate political unrest by providing environments suitable for innovation.

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