

## Stockton to Host Lecture, Panel Discussion on Local, Global Freshwater Crisis on Nov. 18

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**Galloway Township, NJ** – Fresh water is arguably the planet's most imperiled resource, with over one billion people worldwide lacking access to clean water. Locally, saltwater intrusion and contamination of well-water from past or present agricultural, industrial, or residential activities are growing concerns. Come out on **Tuesday, Nov. 18** to The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey's Campus Center Theater from 4:30 p.m. – 6 p.m., for a lecture and panel discussion on the current state of freshwater both globally and locally.

The session begins with a presentation on "The Global Freshwater Crisis - Challenges and Solutions," by Dr. Gary A. Lamberti, professor of Biological Sciences and director of the Stream Ecology Laboratory at the University of Notre Dame.

Following the presentation will be a panel discussion, "Reactions and Implications on the Local, Regional, and National Levels," moderated by Dr. Tait Chirenje, associate professor of Environmental Sciences at Stockton. Panelists include Richard Bizub, director of Water Programs, Pinelands Preservation Alliance; Marcia Brewster, former chief of the Water Unit in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs at the United Nations; Dr. Patrick Hossay, associate professor and coordinator, Sustainability Studies at Stockton; and Dr. Luke MacDonald, deputy director of the Johns Hopkins University Water Institute.

Lamberti has been a professor at Notre Dame since 1989. Past president of the Society for Freshwater Science, he has authored over 150 scientific publications and edited a book on "Methods of Stream Ecology." His appearance at Stockton is co-sponsored by the Stockton Center on Successful Aging and the Notre Dame Club of South Jersey as a "Hesburgh Lecture," honoring Notre Dame President Emeritus Theodore M. Hesburgh.

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The event is part of Stockton's International Education Week sponsored by the college's Office of Global Engagement. To view the week's schedule, go to <a href="www.stockton.edu">www.stockton.edu</a> and search for "Global Engagement."

For more information on this and other events of the week, please contact India Karavackas, director, Office of Global Engagement, at (609) 652-3537, <a href="mailto:lndia.karavackas@stockton.edu">lndia.karavackas@stockton.edu</a>.