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### **Water in the 21st Century: Real Problems; Real Solutions**

#### Abstract

As we move into the 21st century, old water problems remain unsolved, while new ones are being added to the list of challenges that face society. The tools and approaches used to address our water problems in the past century brought many benefits, but new thinking and new methods are going to have to be developed if we hope to finally address the difficulties facing us. Dr. Peter Gleick will talk about some of the new thinking going on about sustainable water planning and management, including the soft path for water. He will address basic human needs for water, the challenges posed by unavoidable global climate changes, and the promise of improving efficiency of water use.