Atkinson Center for a Sustainable Future Topical Lunch

Title: Olav Kjørven-Chief Strategy Officer at EAT Foundation

Host: Dr. Chris Barrett, Professor, Applied Economics & Policy

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Featured Speaker:
Olav Kjørven
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Chief Strategy Officer at EAT Foundation

EAT is a non-profit organization based in Oslo dedicated towards transforming the global food system to deliver better for people and planet through sound science, impatient disruption and novel multi-stakeholder engagements. Transforming our global food system is critical to foster resilient, equitable and thriving communities and economies as there are clear linkages between current food systems from production to consumption and impacts on human health and wellbeing in the form of hunger, stunting and obesity. There are similar strong linkages to climate change, loss of biological diversity and environmental degradation. At EAT, we see food system action as key to achieving the ambitions of the Sustainable Development Goals and the Paris Climate Agreement. To address these challenges, food holds vast potential to support human health and environmental sustainability as a powerful and compelling entry point for integrated policies and novel collaborations across sectors and disciplines. In the past five years, we have made significant progress through our programs, partnerships and annual flagship event – the EAT Stockholm Food Forum – gathering actors from policy, science, business and civil society to enact change. EAT has been instrumental in launching major new global initiatives such as the Food and Land Use Coalition, and the Food Systems Dialogues.