

GLOBAL ASSAULT: THE SCRAMBLE FOR THE WORLD'S LAST RESOURCES

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Most of the world's "easy" resources — those close to the surface, close to shore, in safe and friendly countries — are now exhausted. Increasingly, giant energy and mining firms, and their government backers, are relying on "tough" sources of supply that are deep underground, far offshore, in the Far North, in unsafe and unfriendly countries. The inevitable consequences are increased cost, environmental damage, threats to indigenous peoples, geopolitical competition, and global strife.

The message that Michael Klare will share at his Technology and Society Forum presentation: Only by accelerating the shift to alternative and renewable sources of energy and other materials will it be possible to avoid profound planetary distress.

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Klare has written widely on U.S. foreign policy, the arms trade and international resource politics. He is the author or co-author of nine books, including *Resource Wars*, *Blood and Oil* and *Rising Powers, Shrinking Planet*. Klare has also written for many newspapers and journals, among them *Current History*, *Foreign Affairs*, *Harper's*, *The Nation*, *Newsweek* and *Scientific American*.

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