

# **Discounting And Intergenerational Equity Author Paul R Portney**

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### **Forthcoming Books Rose Arny 1999**

#### **Social Sciences Index 1999**

**Discounting and Intergenerational Equity Paul R. Portney 2013-10-18** The full effects of decisions made today about many environmental policies -including climate change and nuclear waste- will not be felt for many years. For issues with long-term ramifications, analysts often employ discount rates to compare present and future costs and benefits. This is reasonable, and discounting has become a procedure that raises few objections. But are the methods appropriate for measuring costs and benefits for decisions that will have impacts 20 to 30 years from now the right ones to employ for a future that lies 200 to 300 years in the future? This landmark book argues that methods reasonable for measuring gains and losses for a generation into the future may not be appropriate when applied to a longer span of time. Paul Portney and John Weyant have assembled some of the world's foremost economists to reconsider the purpose, ethical implications, and application of discounting in light of recent research and current policy concerns. These experts note reasons why conventional calculations involved in discounting are undermined when considering costs and benefits in the distant future, including uncertainty about the values and preferences of future generations, and uncertainties about available technologies. Rather than simply disassemble current methodologies, the contributors examine innovations that will make discounting a more compelling tool for policy choices that influence the distant future. They discuss the combination of a high short-term with a low long-term discount rate, explore discounting according to more than one set of anticipated preferences for the future, and outline alternatives involving simultaneous consideration of valuation, discounting and political acceptability.

#### **Bibliographic Index 1999**

**Progress Robert David Sack 2002** "The connection between geography and progress is fundamental," writes Robert Sack in the introduction to the present volume. Touching on both moral and material progress, six of the world's leading geographers and environmental historians explore differing aspects of this connection. Thomas Vale discusses whether progress is discernible in the natural realm; Kenneth Olwig examines fundamental changes that occurred to the notion of progress with the rise of modernity, while David Lowenthal and Yi-Fu Tuan discuss recent geographical changes that have resulted in an increasing societal disenchantment and anxiety. Nicholas Entrikin looks at progress as "moral perfectibility, and its connection to democratic places," a theme which Robert Sack further explores by prescribing ways in which geographers and citizens can evaluate and create places that increase our awareness of reality in its variety and complexity. Contributors: J. Nicholas Entrikin, University of California-Los Angeles; David Lowenthal, University College, London; Kenneth Olwig, University in Trondheim, Norway; Robert David Sack, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Yi-Fu Tuan, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Thomas R. Vale, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

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Climate Change 2007 - Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability Groupe d'experts intergouvernemental sur l'évolution du climat. Working Group II. 2007 IPCC Fourth Assessment Report on climate change impacts, adaptation and vulnerability for researchers, students, policymakers.

*Agriculture and Human Values* 2001

APAIS, Australian Public Affairs Information Service 1996 Vol. for 1963 includes section Current Australian serials; a subject list.

*Journal of Economic Literature* 2000

*The RFF Reader in Environmental and Resource Policy* Wallace Oates 2010-09-30 Many articles in the Reader were originally published in RFF's quarterly magazine, Resources. Wally Oates has supplemented that with material drawn from other RFF works, including issue briefs and special reports. The readings provide concise, insightful background and perspectives on a broad range of environmental issues including benefit-cost analysis, environmental regulation, hazardous and toxic waste, environmental equity, and the environmental challenges in developing nations and transitional economies. Natural-resource topics include resource management, biodiversity, and sustainable agriculture. The articles address many of today's most difficult public policy questions, such as environmental policy and economic growth, and 'When is a Life Too Costly to Save?' New to the second edition is an expanded set of readings on global climate change and sustainability, plus cutting-edge policy applications on topics like the environment and public health and the growing problem of antibiotic and pesticide resistance. For general readers, the RFF Reader has been an accessible, nontechnical, authoritative introduction to key issues in environmental and natural resources policy. It has been especially effective in demonstrating the contribution that economics and other social science research can make toward improving public debate and decisionmaking. Organized to follow the contents of popular textbooks in environmental economics and politics, it has also found wide use in beginning environmental policy courses.

De metamorfose van de wereld Ulrich Beck 2018-02-12 De bekende socioloog Ulrich Beck brengt met De metamorfose van de wereld een nieuw perspectief op (klimaat-)verandering. Onze steeds complexere wereld verandert niet meer zomaar, er doen zich metamorfosen voor, radicale vormen van transformatie. Ze dwingen ons om ons denken te veranderen en niet te blijven hangen in oplossingsgericht denken.

Verleggen we onze focus naar de goede kanten van het slechte, dan kunnen we de kosmopolitische houding ontwikkelen die nodig is om belangrijke uitdagingen als klimaatverandering en digitalisering aan te gaan.

Distributing Health Care Paul Dolan 2002-10-31 This is a new health economics textbook with a difference. It is based firmly in the discipline of economics and, as such, it fills a gap in the health economics market. But, unlike other texts in the area, it is very explicit about the distributive implications of economic models and it provides clear rationale for public involvement in the market for health care. It separates the efficiency reasons for public involvement (based on notions of 'market failure') from the equity reasons (based on the views of society that health care should be distributed according to the notion of health needs rather than according to ability to pay). The book illustrates the distributional aspects of money flows in the financing and provision of health care, and discusses who are the gainers and who are the losers under different financing arrangements. A central part of the book contains a discussion of those techniques that are increasingly being used to aid decisions about how to distribute health care. Beyond the parameters included in economic evaluation techniques such as cost-benefit analysis and cost-effectiveness analysis, the book discusses some key ethical issues that are relevant for decision-makers when setting health care priorities.

American Book Publishing Record 1996

*Transnational Law & Contemporary Problems* 2008

The Environmental Forum 1998

H.R. 2432, Paperwork and Regulatory Improvements Act of 2003 United States. Congress. House. Committee on Government Reform 2003

*Environmental Economics and Natural Resource Management* David A. Anderson 2013-09-23 The tools of environmental economics guide policymakers as they weigh development against nature, present against

future, and certain benefits against uncertain consequences. From reluctant-but-necessary calculations of the value of life, to quandaries over profits at the environment's expense, the policies and research findings explained in this textbook are relevant to decisions made daily by individuals, firms, and governments. The fourth edition of *Environmental Economics and Natural Resource Management* pairs the user-friendly approaches of the previous editions with the latest developments in the field. A story-based narrative delivers clear, concise coverage of contemporary policy initiatives. To promote environmental and economic literacy, we have added even more visual aids, including color photographs and diagrams unmatched in other texts. Ancillaries include an Instructor's Guide with answers to all of the practice problems and downloadable slides of figures and tables from the book. The economy is a subset of the environment, from which resources are obtained, workers and consumers receive sustenance, and life begins. Energy prices and environmental calamities constrain economic growth and the quality of life. The same can be said about overly restrictive environmental policies. It is with an appreciation for the weighty influence of this discipline, and the importance of conveying it to students, that this textbook is crafted.

**Public Policies for Environmental Protection** Paul Professor Portney 2010-10-28 The first edition of *Public Policies for Environmental Protection* contributed significantly to the incorporation of economic analysis in the study of environmental policy. Fully revised to account for changes in the institutional, legal, and regulatory framework of environmental policy, the second edition features updated chapters on the EPA and federal regulation, air and water pollution policy, and hazardous and toxic substances. It includes entirely new chapters on market-based environmental policies, global climate change, solid waste, and, for the first time, coverage of the Safe Drinking Water Act. Portney, Stavins, and their contributors provide an invaluable resource for researchers, policymakers, industry professionals, and journalists---anyone who needs up-to-date information on U.S. environmental policy. With their careful explanation of policy alternatives, the authors provide an ideal book for students in courses about environmental economics or environmental politics.

**De onbewoonbare aarde** David Wallace-Wells 2019-03-19 Als jouw zorgen over de opwarming van de aarde zich beperken tot angst voor de stijgende zeespiegel, dan zie je slechts het topje van de ijsberg. Het is veel, veel erger dan je denkt. Klimaatverandering wordt vaak beschouwd als een langzaam proces, maar de onheilspellende effecten ervan zien we nu al: hete zomers, grote droogte, allesverwoestende overstromingen en orkanen. Natuurrampen die zich vroeger maar één keer in een mensenleven voltrokken, overvallen de mensheid tegenwoordig jaarlijks. In *De onbewoonbare aarde* brengt David Wallace-Wells de laatste wetenschappelijke inzichten samen tot een schokkende aanklacht: we slagen er maar niet in om een betere toekomst voor ons te zien, laat staan dat we naar zo'n idee handelen. Wallace-Wells luidt de alarmklok en vertelt ons alles wat we niet willen maar wel moeten weten over klimaatverandering. Als we onze aanpak van dit probleem en onze manier van leven niet snel veranderen, zullen delen van de aarde door desastreuze ontwikkelingen in de nabije toekomst onbewoonbaar worden.

**De lange weg naar de vrijheid** Nelson Mandela 2017-10-21 De lange weg naar de vrijheid is de beroemde autobiografie van een van de grootste mannen van de twintigste eeuw. Nelson Mandela beschrijft de lange weg die hij heeft moeten afleggen van onwetende jongen tot charismatisch staatsman. Dit is het verhaal van misschien wel de wonderbaarlijkste omwenteling in de geschiedenis, verteld door de man die het allemaal heeft meegemaakt en in gang gezet. Het verhaal van Mandela, door Mandela.

**108-1 Hearing: H.R. 2432, Paperwork and Regulatory Improvements Act of 2003, July 22, 2003, \* 2004**  
**Donuteconomie** Kate Raworth 2017-12-01 De economische wetenschap ligt in duigen. De financiële crisis werd niet voorspeld, laat staan voorkomen. Achterhaalde economische theorieën hebben een wereld mogelijk gemaakt waarin nog steeds extreme armoede heerst, terwijl de allerrijksten elk jaar rijker worden. Economisch handelen tast de natuur zo sterk aan dat onze toekomst gevaar loopt. In *Donuteconomie* laat econoom Kate Raworth zien hoe het mainstream economische denken ons op een dwaalweg heeft gezet. Ze tekent de routekaart die ons kan leiden naar het punt waarop in de behoefte van iedereen kan worden voorzien, zonder dat dit ten koste gaat van onze planeet. Dit alles resulteert in een alternatief en innovatief economisch model voor de 21e eeuw.

**Annual Report - Resources for the Future** Resources for the Future 1975

**A Subject Index to Current Literature Australian Public Affairs Information Service**  
**Public Policies for Environmental Protection Paul R. Portney 2000** A supplemental text for courses in environmental economics, environmental science, and environmental politics. Writing style is nontechnical and accessible. This second edition is revised to account for changes in the institutional, legal, and regulatory framework of environmental policy, with updated chapters on EPA and federal regulation, air and water pollution policy, and hazardous and toxic substances. There are new chapters on market-based environmental policies, global climate change, and solid waste. Portney is president and senior fellow of Resources for the Future. Stavins is professor of business and government and faculty chair of the Environment and Natural Resources Program at Harvard University. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

**Cumulated Index to the Books 1999**

**The Stern Review and Its Critics Daniel H. Cole 2008**

**Happiness and the Law John Bronsteen 2015** Happiness and the law the two concepts seem to have little to do with one another. To some people, they may even seem diametrically opposed. Yet, one of the things that laws strive to do is improve the quality of people's lives. John Bronsteen and his coauthors draw on new research on happiness from psychology, economics, and neuroscience to understand the law's effects on people whether they make them happy or unhappy and how good the law is at predicting these effects. Happiness research has shown that people can adapt to some things but not to others; that people often err in predicting what will make them happy; and that money affects most people's happiness less than is assumed. Using such insights, the authors consider the effects of legal policies and regulations, criminal punishments, and civil lawsuits on how people experience their lives. The results are exciting and often counterintuitive. The findings of hedonic psychology indicate, for example, a need to rethink our current understandings of imprisonment and monetary fines. Most broadly, the book proposes a comprehensive approach to human welfare to assess the good and bad consequences of laws and policies. This approach, well-being analysis, is far superior to the strictly economically based cost-benefit analyses which currently dominate how we evaluate public policy. The study of happiness is the next step in the evolution from traditional economic analysis of the law to a behavioral approach. "Happiness and the Law" will serve as the definitive, yet accessible, guide to understanding this new paradigm."

**The Library Journal 1998** Includes, beginning Sept. 15, 1954 (and on the 15th of each month, Sept.-May) a special section: School library journal, ISSN 0000-0035, (called Junior libraries, 1954-May 1961). Also issued separately.

**Rapport van de Club van Rome Dennis L. Meadows 1972**

**Toward an Energy Surety Future Marjorie L. Tatro 2005** Because of the inevitable depletion of fossil fuels and the corresponding release of carbon to the environment, the global energy future is complex. Some of the consequences may be politically and economically disruptive, and expensive to remedy. For the next several centuries, fuel requirements will increase with population, land use, and ecosystem degradation. Current or projected levels of aggregated energy resource use will not sustain civilization as we know it beyond a few more generations. At the same time, issues of energy security, reliability, sustainability, recoverability, and safety need attention. We supply a top-down, qualitative model--the surety model--to balance expenditures of limited resources to assure success while at the same time avoiding catastrophic failure. Looking at U.S. energy challenges from a surety perspective offers new insights on possible strategies for developing solutions to challenges. The energy surety model with its focus on the attributes of security and sustainability could be extrapolated into a global energy system using a more comprehensive energy surety model than that used here. In fact, the success of the energy surety strategy ultimately requires a more global perspective. We use a 200 year time frame for sustainability because extending farther into the future would almost certainly miss the advent and perfection of new technologies or changing needs of society.

**Current Index to Journals in Education 2002**

**Retaking Rationality Richard L. Revesz 2008-04-16** That America's natural environment has been degraded and despoiled over the past 25 years is beyond dispute. Nor has there been any shortage of

reasons why-short-sighted politicians, a society built on over-consumption, and the dramatic weakening of environmental regulations. In *Retaking Rationality*, Richard L. Revesz and Michael A. Livermore argue convincingly that one of the least understood-and most important-causes of our failure to protect the environment has been a misguided rejection of reason. The authors show that environmentalists, labor unions, and other progressive groups have declined to participate in the key governmental proceedings concerning the cost-benefit analysis of federal regulations. As a result of this vacuum, industry groups have captured cost-benefit analysis and used it to further their anti-regulatory ends. Beginning in 1981, the federal Office of Management and Budget and the federal courts have used cost-benefit analysis extensively to determine which environmental, health, and safety regulations are approved and which are sent back to the drawing board. The resulting imbalance in political participation has profoundly affected the nation's regulatory and legal landscape. But Revesz and Livermore contend that economic analysis of regulations is necessary and that it needn't conflict with-and can in fact support-a more compassionate approach to environmental policy. Indeed, they show that we cannot give up on rationality if we truly want to protect our natural environment. *Retaking Rationality* makes clear that by embracing and reforming cost-benefit analysis, and by joining reason and compassion, progressive groups can help enact strong environmental and public health regulation.

**Global Climate Change James M. Griffin 2003-01-01** This volume is written for policymakers and informed citizenry who want to understand at a general level the complexities of global climate change without becoming enmeshed in technical minutia. The introduction emphasizes the core fact that climate chang

**Annual Report Resources for the Future 1977**

**Aftellen Alan Weisman 2014-04-09** De wereld kan het best zonder de mens af. Geen probleem zelfs, de natuur gaat wel door, en menselijke sporen zullen op den duur uitgewist worden. Maar voor de mens klinkt dat helemaal niet zo geruststellend. Iin Aftellen laat Alan Weisman zien hoe we dit scenario kunnen voorkomen. Dat kan, al moeten we dan wel iets doen. Op dit ogenblik komen er elke drie dagen evenveel nieuwe aardbewoners bij als Amsterdam inwoners heeft. En daar is de aarde op den duur niet tegen opgewassen. Weisman gaat op reis langs plaatsen waar veel mensen dicht bij elkaar wonen om te zien hoe dat gaat, en of dat gaat. Hoeveel mensen kan de aarde aan? En wat kunnen we doen om daar uit te komen? Aftellen is een ontvullerend, verhelderend en ook hoopvol boek.

**Personnel Management Abstracts 1978**