Tuesday, November 13, 2012, 12:30-1:30 pm

“Is Protecting the Environment Bad for the Economy?”

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There were very few examples of consensus in this recent election season. Both one exception is that both candidates were unwilling to advocate strong environmental protection in a time of economic uncertainty. The conventional wisdom is that environmental protection comes at the expense of economic growth.

GDAE researcher Brian Roach will discuss the evidence on the relationship between the economy and environment, based on a new chapter in GDAE's forthcoming textbook Environmental and Natural Resource Economics: A Contemporary Approach (3rd edition). He finds that strong, well-designed environmental policies are not only be compatible with a robust economy, but provide the basis for a new "green economy" that represents the best option for the long-term welfare of society.

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