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World Renowned Climate Expert To Speak Wednesday at K-State

One of the top climate experts in the world, Dr. Thomas C. Peterson, will present a special seminar titled “The Story of Climate Data” on Wednesday, May 4, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Throckmorton Hall, Room 4031, on the K-State campus in Manhattan. Dr. Peterson will be available for interviews for a short time immediately after his presentation.

Dr. Peterson is the president of the World Meteorological Organization’s Commission for Climatology, and retired principal scientist of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration’s National Centers for Environmental Information. He was a lead author on the Nobel Peace Prize winning Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change’s Fourth Assessment Report published in 2007. Foreign Policy magazine named him one of the top 100 Leading Global Thinkers of 2013 for his work on explaining extreme events from a climate perspective.

In his talk, Dr. Peterson will review the history of climate data, from the first instrumental observations in 1697 to the present day. In addition to describing how average global temperatures are determined and their implications, this talk will highlight the results of the latest science on global climate data as well as the latest political development on sharing climate data across the world. The talk will conclude with some comments on how the global climate record can be improved.

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