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The implementation of any carbon pricing instrument will generate revenue for the government. This brief explores the options for the use of this new revenue stream, as well as the institutional needs and considerations for each option. Considerations include the scale and reliability of revenue, options for revenue allocation, institutional capacity for revenue management, and models for new institutions where needed. [To read the policy brief, please visit the SP website.](#)

Moving Forward in Hamilton: Transportation, Sprawl and Environmental Pricing Reform

The City of Hamilton faces a number of serious challenges – air quality, greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, sprawl, vacant properties downtown, and a heavy reliance on property taxes. Without changes in public policy and investment, Hamilton can expect these and other challenges to become more serious in the future. This discussion paper examines the economic incentives that result in the challenges outlined above and how those incentives can be re-shaped by municipal policy – a process termed “environmental pricing reform.” [To read the discussion paper, please visit the SP website.](#)

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SP Speaking Tour: Achim Steiner, Executive Director, United Nations Environment Programme

On May 9, 2011, Achim Steiner came to Toronto as part of an SP Speaking Tour to engage with media and deliver the keynote address at SP’s [Ontario and the Green Economy](#) symposium (in partnership with the Mowat Centre for Policy Innovation and Corporate Knights).

[Related media and video of speech available on SP website](#); see sample of media:

- [Ontario urged to stick with green energy program](#) (Globe and Mail, May 10 2011)
- [Canada has room for wind turbines, says UN official](#) (Toronto Star, May 10 2011)
- [TVO’s The Agenda with Steve Paikin](#) (May 10 2011)
- [CBC’s Lang and O’Leary Exchange](#) (May 9 2011)

PARTNER NEWS

On **Thursday, June 9th at 6:00 pm**, the new uOttawa **Centre for Environmental Law and Global Sustainability** will be holding its launch during a gala dinner at the Canadian Museum of Nature in Ottawa, with David Runnalls (SP Senior Fellow) delivering a keynote speech on the transition to a low-carbon economy. Cost is \$75. To attend, please contact centrelaunch@gmail.com.

The launch will take place during the IUCN Academy of Environmental Law’s conference “Designing Law and Policy for the Rapid Transition to Sustainable Energy: The Case of Biofuels” (June 9-10, 2011). [For more information and to register, see the IUCN website.](#)