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Economy, Ecology, Elections: Energy in US-American Politics



Energy is a complex policy field that touches on important, but not always salient issues of American politics. During Barack Obama's presidency, a remarkable step forward has been taken to make the US less dependent on foreign oil and more conscious of ecological concerns, leading a global movement for "going green." Presenting economical, ecological and electoral perspectives, Dr. Viehrig will highlight the role energy plays in contemporary US politics and on the 2016 campaign trail.

Henrike Viehrig is a Lecturer of Political Science at the University of Bonn's North American Studies Program. Her research focuses on the role of media and public opinion in foreign policy and international politics, with a special emphasis on Germany and the United States.

She co-authored articles for *West European Politics* and *Parliamentary Affairs*, among other journals. Her book *Issue Salience in International Politics*, co-authored with Kai Oppermann, was published with Routledge in 2011.



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