TITLE: Conversion of a Science Writer: From Climate Change to GMOs

With author/journalist Mark Lynas

HOST: Ron Herring

DATE: Tuesday, April 30th – 8:30 – 9:30am, Mann Library 102

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The topical breakfast will include a brief introduction and comments by Mark Lynas, followed by open-ended discussion. The focus will be differential public acceptance -- and politicization and polarization -- of science in two spheres: climate change and agricultural biotechnology ['GMOs']. Mark Lynas has been an influential science writer in the UK and voice for action in responding to climate change; he was awarded the Royal Society Prize for his 2008 book, *Six Degrees*. He recently made international headlines for publicly apologizing for his earlier role in launching the anti-GM movement, including the destruction of field trials in England.