

March 9, 2006
US Capitol
Building
Rm. HC-5
11:30 - 4:00pm



Dr. John Holland
Co-Founder of the Santa Fe Institute and the Center for the Study of Complex Systems at the University of Michigan



Dr. Yaneer Bar-Yam
Founder and President of the New England Complex Systems Institute at MIT



Dr. Robert Axtell
Senior Fellow of Economic Studies at the Brookings Institution



Dr. C.C. Wood
Vice-President of the Santa Fe Institute



Dr. Mitchell Waldrop
Journalist and Author of several popular science books including *Complexity: The Emerging Science at the Edge of Order and Chaos*

Catalyst Institute for Applied Policy

Forum on Complexity and Public Policy

11:30 **Welcome**
Claudia Pharis, Catalyst Chair and CEO

11:45 **Keynote Speaker**
Dr. John Holland
Complex Adaptive Systems and Legislation

12:45 **Issues Panel**

Dr. Mitch Waldrop
Moderator

Dr. Yaneer Bar-Yam
From Education and Health Policy to Pandemics and Ethnic Violence

Dr. C.C. Wood
Applications of Complex Systems Ideas in the National Security Arena: Two Examples

Dr. Robert Axtell
The Economy as a Complex System

2:15 **Questions and Answers**

3:30 **Adjourn**

"I think the next century will be the century of complexity."

Stephen Hawking
San Jose Mercury News
2000

Please arrive early as seating is limited
Catered lunches will be available
ID required



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