

**BESTSELLING AUTHOR CHRIS TURNER MAKES THE CASE FOR A GERMAN-STYLE SHIFT TOWARDS RENEWABLE ENERGY**

*Lecture to outline the key lessons for Ontario and its own energy transition now well underway*

**TORONTO, Nov. 7, 2013** – Chris Turner, bestselling author of *The War on Science, The Leap and The Geography of Hope*, will discuss the lessons that Ontario can learn from Germany and its trailblazing move to renewable energy at a lecture on **Saturday, Nov. 9**, Mattamy Athletic Centre, 3pm.

For more than a decade, Germany has been engaged in the most ambitious sustainability shift of any major industrial nation - a move to renewable energy and hyper-efficiency now known in German as the *Energiewende* (Energy Transition). Germany's pursuit of a low-carbon future is a case study for any community hoping to follow the same path.

[Chris Turner](#), journalist, author, renowned sustainability expert and Ryerson alumnus, has been studying the *Energiewende* almost since it began, and in 'Tracking The German Leap', he takes a look at Germany's leap in mid-flight, sizing up the successes and setbacks, as well as outlining key lessons for Ontario and its own energy transition now well underway.

The lecture will be followed by a Q&A moderated by [Sean Conway](#), distinguished research fellow at Ryerson University's Centre for Urban Energy. Turner will be available for media requests following the lecture.

This event is presented by:

- Centre for Urban Energy at Ryerson University;
- Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany, Toronto; and
- Ontario Sustainable Energy Association

**WHAT:** Lecture by author Chris Turner - Tracking The German Leap

**WHEN:** Saturday, Nov. 9, 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

**WHERE:** Mattamy Athletic Centre, Alumni Lounge, 50 Carlton St, Toronto, ON M5B 1J2

**FULL EVENT DETAILS:** <http://germanleap.eventbrite.ca>

**WEBCAST:** <http://go.ontario-sea.org/germanleap-live-webcast>

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