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Environmental Ethics Across Worldviews: An Analysis of Sustainable Energy Development Indexes



Since environmental issues cross cultural and religious boundaries, people seeking to address widespread environmental problems must have a way of communicating with other people about values. One way to do this is by identifying principles of environmental ethics such as justice, responsibility, careful use, and farsightedness that resonate with multiple systems of ethics.

Such moral decision-making is crucial when developing sustainable energy development indexes, tools that assess energy use according to social, environmental and economic factors. Analyzing the indexes ethically will demonstrate 1) the utility of the principles, 2) the strengths and weaknesses of indexes, and 3) how religious-moral worldviews and the sciences can relate to strengthen each contributing discipline and to help resolve environmental crises.

Sarah Fredericks studies the intersection of science, philosophy, and religion, particularly issues of environmental ethics. Fredericks focuses on the ways these disciplines can inform decision making around the social, economic, and environmental implications of energy use.

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