

**DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SERIES PRESENTS****JULES PRETTY****SUSTAINABILITY AND  
THE STATE OF THE  
WORLD FOOD SYSTEM****Professor of the Environment & Society  
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University of Essex****Tuesday, November 3, 2009****4:30-5:30 pm****Reception to follow****3001 Plant & Environmental Sciences Building**

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