



Sustainability Perspectives

Resource and Waste Implications of the Consumer Electronic Product Ecosystem

Callie Babbitt, associate professor of sustainability for the *Golisano Institute of Sustainability* at Rochester Institute of Technology, will explain how the growing integration of consumer electronics in modern society poses a myriad of sustainability challenges. On one hand, electronic devices contribute to social and economic development and may be key to reducing energy consumption across many economic sectors. However, the toxic and valuable materials embedded within the products may cause negative environmental and human health impacts. Green design is making individual products more energy efficient, but consumers keep purchasing more. This presentation will overview broad challenges of sustainability and our digital addiction and talk about new solutions that take inspiration from nature.



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