

## 2.1. Press Release

Daniel Gagnier, Senior Vice President, Corporate and External Affairs at Alcan Inc. will give a talk on “Environmental Standards, Certification and Management Systems: Alcan’s Experience in the Pursuit of Value” on October 26, 2006.

The talk is part of the 2006/2007 IEM Speaker Series, Environmental Certification and Business Competitiveness, sponsored by the Yale Industrial Environmental Management (IEM) Program. In its 17th year, the IEM Lecture Series brings speakers from a variety of companies and organizations to the Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies to discuss the relationship between business and the environment. This year’s lecture series explores firm-level responses to systems for certification of corporate environmental performance in a variety of industry sectors.

Based in Canada, Alcan is multi-national producer of bauxite, alumina and aluminum, and engineered and packaging materials. Daniel Gagnier is responsible for Alcan’s corporate communications, government relations and environment, health and safety.

He has previously held a number of positions in the governments of Canada, Ottawa and Saskatchewan, and has also worked overseas on postings to Mexico, Yugoslavia and the United Kingdom. Currently serving as the Chair of the International Organization for Standardization’s technical committee on Environmental Management (ISO/TC 207), Mr. Gagnier is an authority in the field of certification and standardization.

The lecture by Mr. Gagnier, free and open to the public, will be held at 4 pm on Thursday, October 26, 2006 at Bowers Auditorium, Sage Hall, 205 Prospect Street, New Haven, CT at the School of Forestry & Environmental Studies. A reception will follow in the Sage Hall student Lounge.

The IEM Lecture Series is supported by the Joel Omura Kiruhara Fund. For more information about the lecture series, please contact Valerie Petersen, program coordinator, at 203.432.6953 or [valerie.petersen@yale.edu](mailto:valerie.petersen@yale.edu).