

Dr. Penner invited to serve on the Advisory Committee on the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis

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Dr Stanford S. Penner, director of the University of California, San Diego Energy Center, has been invited to serve on the Advisory Committee on the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA) of the National Academy of Sciences (NAS).

IIASA, an international cooperative scientific organization, has its headquarters in Laxenburg, Austria. According to Penner, IIASA's province is "how the world runs -- in essence, any human problem of considerable international importance." NAS, as the United States member in IIASA, plays a key role in the institute's activities and research. The NAS advisory committee oversees the American academy's participation in IIASA.

Penner's appointment is for a two-year period from May 1, 1976, to April 30, 1978. During that time he will be chairman of the liaison subcommittee on Management and Technology. It will be his responsibility to select members of his subcommittee who represent a cross-section of the U.S. scientific community.

Penner, since 1972, has been responsible for the development of energy-related programs and courses on the UC San Diego campus. He is the author and co-author of about 200 articles and of more than 10 books and monographs. He recently established an international journal entitled Energy, published by Pergammon Press.

A professor of engineering physics in the UC San Diego Department of Applied Mechanics and Engineering Sciences, Penner says fundamental science is his own "real work." In addition to serving on many national and international advisory policy committees on energy research and development, he has devoted much of his own research to analyzing the net benefits in recovery of various energy resources.

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