

The ROOTS of Energy Efficiency

The UC Davis Energy Efficiency Center in partnership with Chevron presented a series of forums exploring California's rich past – and promising future – as a global innovator of energy-efficient technologies and policies.

October 2008 – The first installment of this series focused on policy innovations in energy efficiency and how they can promote and even initiate energy efficient initiatives. The main actors in the energy efficiency policy arena convened at UC Davis to start a discussion that would change most attendees' preconceptions, and initiate the debate on what policy innovation will do for California's leadership as an energy efficient state of tomorrow.

April 2009 – In the second forum, entrepreneurs, inventors, innovators and those who implement their new technologies met at the Tsakopoulos Library Galleria in Sacramento to explain and show the new technologies that have emerged and are in the process of being implemented in the area of energy efficiency as well as those that ought to be developed.

June 2010 – In the third and final installment of this three-part speakers series on the history of energy efficiency, the UC Davis Energy Efficiency Center convened at the Computer History Museum in Mountain View, Calif. Leaders in policy, industry and academia discussed and debated how California can maintain its leadership position in the field and best leverage its investments in smart energy to achieve energy efficiency innovation and consumer adoption.