THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS PRESENTS THE 57TH ANNUAL

## ALPHEUS SMITHECTURE



Nobel Laureate Steven Chu is the William R. Kenan, Jr.

Professor of Physics and Professor of Molecular & Cellular

Physiology in the Medical School at Stanford University. Dr. Chu
was the 12th U.S. Secretary of Energy from January 2009 until
the end of April 2013. As the first scientist to hold a Cabinet
position and the longest serving Energy Secretary, he recruited
outstanding scientists and engineers into the Department of
Energy. Prior to his cabinet post, he was director of the Lawrence
Berkeley National Laboratory, where he was active in the pursuit
of alternative and renewable energy technologies. Dr. Chu is the
co-recipient of the 1997 Nobel Prize in Physics "for development
of methods to cool and trap atoms with laser light."

## AND INNOVATIVE PATHS TO A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

The industrial and agricultural revolutions have profoundly transformed the world, but the unintended consequence of these revolutions is that humans are changing the climate of Earth. I will briefly describe new data on climate change, before turning to the rapidly changing energy landscape and how science, engineering and innovation can provide a path to a sustainable and prosperous future.

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