

## Dan Esty bio

Dan Esty is the Hillhouse Professor at Yale University with primary appointments in the Yale School of the Environment and the Law School with a secondary appointment at the Yale School of Management. He also serves as Director of the Yale Center for Environmental Law and Policy ([www.yale.edu/envirocenter](http://www.yale.edu/envirocenter)) and as Director of the Yale Initiative on Sustainable Finance. Professor Esty is the author or editor of fourteen books (including the prizewinning guide to corporate sustainability, *Green to Gold*) and dozens of articles on environmental and energy policy -- and their connections to regulatory approaches, corporate strategy, sustainability performance measurement, competitiveness, trade, and economic success. His (edited) volume, *A Better Planet: 40 Big Ideas for a Sustainable Future*, was named a top book of 2019 by *The Financial Times* and his most recent book, *Values at Work: Sustainable Investing and ESG Reporting* has just been published by Palgrave Macmillan.

From 1989-93, Professor Esty served in a number of senior positions in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. During this time, he led EPA's regulatory review process and helped to negotiate the 1992 Framework Convention on Climate Change. From 2011-14, he returned to government service as Commissioner of Connecticut's Department of Energy and Environmental Protection. In this role, he led efforts to draft Connecticut's first energy strategy, launch a Green Bank to promote clean energy, and restructure the state's regulatory programs. Known for his innovative work at the business-sustainability interface, Professor Esty has also provided strategy advice to companies, governments, international organizations, NGOs, and foundations around the world.