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NCSE is delighted to congratulate Michael E. Mann on receiving the Stephen H. Schneider Award for Outstanding Climate Science Communication for 2017. Presented by Climate One, a project of the Commonwealth Club of California, the award is "given to a natural or social scientist who has made extraordinary scientific contributions and communicated that knowledge to a broad public in a clear and compelling fashion."

Ben Santer, a member of the award jury as well as a member of NCSE's board of directors, [commented](#) [4] in a June 19, 2017, press release from Penn State University, "Mann has been a world leader in scientific efforts to understand the natural variability of the climate system, and to reconstruct global temperature variations over the past two millennia. This critically important work led to the famous 'hockey-stick' temperature reconstruction. The hockey stick provides compelling evidence for the emergence of a human-caused warming signal from the background noise of natural fluctuations in climate."

Mann is Distinguished Professor of Atmospheric Science at Penn State University, with joint appointments in the Department of Geosciences and the Earth and Environmental Systems Institute. He is also director of the Penn State Earth System Science Center. His latest book, coauthored with Tom Toles, is *The Madhouse Effect* (Columbia University Press, 2016). A member of NCSE's Advisory Council, he received

NCSE's Friend of the Planet Award in 2014.

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