Dr. Melissa D. Ho
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“Oh, the places you’ll go.”

Melissa D. Ho currently serves as Managing Director, Africa, in the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC)’s Department of Compact Operations overseeing a portfolio of over $2 billion.

Dr. Ho received her Ph.D from Penn State in Plant Physiology (now Plant Biology) in the lab of Dr. Jonathan Lynch and has since amassed more than 20 years of experience in international development, with a focus on global food security and nutrition. Before joining MCC, she led a technical team in the Bureau for Food Security at the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). Dr. Ho also served as Senior Advisor at USAID and was the technical lead in the development of the G-8 New Alliance for Food Security and Nutrition initiative, launched by President Obama and partners at Camp David in 2012. Previously, Dr. Ho was a part of the Agriculture Development Team at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, where she led the development and execution of the agricultural water management strategy and portfolio, managing over $100 million in grants. She has also worked with the U.S. Congress as a specialist in agricultural policy for the Congressional Research Service and served as the Agriculture Policy Advisor to Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton.

Dr. Ho’s seminar will be valuable to all, especially students interested in policy-related careers.

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Reception to follow in 202A MSC

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