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INTERNATIONAL CLIMATE SYMBOL

A tool for public awareness, The International Climate Symbol expresses the concern for the issue of climate change and the willingness to solve the problem. You can download the symbol on the website www.saveourclimate.org

South Asian Campaign on Climate Symbol awareness and outreach has been launched in July 2003. For more information on how to join the Campaign contact: info@can-sa.net



Use the International Climate Symbol in all communications on climate change

WORLD DISASTER REDUCTION CAMPAIGN 2003**LIVING WITH RISK: TURNING THE TIDE ON DISASTERS TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

In line with the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction's (ISDR) mandate of increasing public awareness to understand risk, vulnerability and disaster reduction globally, the dissemination of clear messages is crucial for the development of disaster reduction programmes at global, regional, national and local levels.

For more information, contact UN International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (ISDR) www.unisdr.org

EVENTS

SBSTA/SBI/18, 3-14 JUNE 2003 SIDE EVENT ON 5TH JUNE
LIVING WITH RISK IN A CHANGING CLIMATE
PRESENTATIONS ON

- The relationship between disaster reduction and climate change and guidance on reducing climate-related disasters now and in the future
- Overview of existing initiatives linking disaster reduction and climate change adaptation: gaps and challenges
- GTZ approaches and objectives in mainstreaming climate change adaptation into disaster reduction activities

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The Civil Society Round Table: A Social Forum on Climate Change, Moscow, 1-2 October 2003

Contact: Hallie Katarski at hkatarski@environmentaldefense.org

COP9 Milan 1-12 December 2003

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RECENT PUBLICATIONS

POVERTY & CLIMATE CHANGE: Reducing the Vulnerability of the Poor through Adaptation; June 2003

The document aims to contribute to a global dialog on how to mainstream and integrate adaptation to climate change into poverty reduction efforts. Experience suggests that the best way to address climate change impacts on the poor is by integrating adaptation responses into development planning.

Prepared by AfDB, ADB, DFID, European Commission, Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation & Development – Germany, Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Development Cooperation-The Netherlands, OECD, UNDP, UNEP, World Bank. For copies contact: info@can-sa.net

MAINSTREAMING ADAPTATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE IN LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES (LDCs); April 2003

This publication is a timely effort from key policy research institutes working on climate change issues in LDCs. It provides examples and way forward on how the LDCs can mainstream adaptation to climate change in their ongoing national development priorities.

Authors: Saleemul Huq, Atiq Rahman, Mama Konate, Youba Sokona and Hanna Reid; Published by IIED, BCAS, ENDA and Shell Foundation – Sustainable Energy Program; please request a copy from: info@can-sa.net

ADAPTATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE IN THE DEVELOPING WORLD

This paper explores the nature of risk and vulnerability in the context of climate change and review the evidence of present day adaptation in developing countries and on coordinated international action on future adaptation.

Authors: W.Neil Adger, Saleemul Huq, Katrina Brown, Declan Conway and Mike Hume; Published in Progress in Development Studies 3,3 (2003) pp. 179-195; please request a copy from: info@can-sa.net

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ANALYSING THE NEXUS OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE; April 2003

This paper sketches out a broad framework to address the nexus of sustainable development and climate change. It draws out some implications for the preparation of future case studies aiming to explore the dynamics of climate change vulnerability and adaptation – especially when one goes beyond simple win-win outcomes, and confronts difficult trade-off situations among conflicting objectives.

Author: Mohan Munasinghe, Munasinghe Institute for Development (MIND) – Sri Lanka; Published by OECD; please request a copy from: info@can-sa.net

LIVELIHOODS & CLIMATE CHANGE: Combining disaster risk reduction, natural resource management and climate change adaptation in a new approach to the reduction of vulnerability and poverty; 2003

Adaptation must be rooted in reducing vulnerabilities, and some of the greatest opportunities for this lie in ecosystem management and restoration activities. By protecting and enhancing natural services, we help to secure the livelihoods of the world's most vulnerable communities and improve their capacity to deal with the impacts of climate change.

Published by: IISD, IUCN, SEI

MAINSTREAMING BIODIVERSITY & CLIMATE CHANGE: Outcome of the Asia Regional Workshop 6-11 April 2003

The Workshop was organized with the aim to implement capacity building and get the thinking process on synergies between conventions rolling. Appreciation of the interlinkages between climate change and biological diversity is essential in achieving commitments to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, biodiversity losses, reach Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and WEHAB (Water, Energy, Health, Agriculture and Biodiversity) principles of the Johannesburg Summit on Sustainable Development. Priorities and actions at national and regional levels to cope/mitigate adverse impacts due to climate change on biodiversity and livelihoods.

Published by: IUCN regional Biodiversity Programme – Asia; for copies contact www.biodiversity.asia.org

CLIMATE CHANGES THE WATER RULES: How water managers can cope with today's climate variability and tomorrow's climate change; 2003

This is a synthesis report based on a wealth of results and experiences about coping with climate phenomena in the water sector. It links information from individual

Dialogues, Thematic Papers, Case Studies and other literature. Full report can be downloaded from: www.waterandclimate.org

Published in The Netherlands by the Dialogue on Water and Climate

STABILIZATION SCENARIOS FOR CLIMATE IMPACT ASSESSMENT PP155-165

Authors: R.Swart, J. Mitchell, T. Morita and S.Raper

Published in Global Environmental Change, Vol 12 No 3, October 2002; by Pergamon

SCENARIOS FOR CLIMATE IMPACT AND ADAPTATION ASSESSMENT pp 149-53

Author: Martin Parry

Published in Global Environmental Change, Vol 12 No 3, October 2002; by Pergamon

REPRESENTING GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE, ADAPTATION & MITIGATION

pp 1-6

Author: Terry Barker

Published in Global Environmental Change, Vol 13 No 1, April 2003; by Pergamon

SECURITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE pp. 7-17

Author: Jon Barnett

Published in Global Environmental Change, Vol 13 No 1, April 2003; by Pergamon

UPCOMING

Fall 2003: Climate Change: Adaptive Capacity & Development, Edited by Joel B Smith, Richard J T Klein, Saleemul Huq, Imperial College Press; www.icpress.co.uk

INVITATION TO CAN SOUTH BULLETIN READERS

Researchers, activists, campaigners, civil society groups, and actors and institutions from South and North are requested to contribute news on Climate Change related Workshops and Conference or other events, documents and reports, statements, initiatives and programs in South or useful for South, please forward us the source and material. Maps, diagrams, illustration and pictures are also welcome. All inputs should be sent electronically (images in .tiff or .jpeg format; text in .pdf or MS word format)

