

# HEALTH MATTERS

A KEY IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE



## WHO EVENT AT THE UNFCCC COP 14

Poznan, Poland  
Wednesday 10 December  
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19.30 – 21h00  
Aesculapian Snake Room  
Snacks and fruit provided

### AIM

- To raise awareness within the climate change community of the critical importance of health as one of the main neglected impacts of climate change
- To give a clear statement on what we know about climate change and health risks and responses, and;
- To establish what we still need to know to implement effective action drawing on the outcomes of the Madrid Research Meeting and input from countries

### OBJECTIVES

- What do we know so far about the health impact from climate change?
- What is the health sector doing to protect health from climate change from country to global level?
- What is the range and potential magnitude of health co benefits from acting on climate change?
- What is expected from the international community?

### AGENDA

- **Opening** Dr Roberto Bertollini, Senior Adviser and Coordinator, Public Health and Environment Department, WHO
- **Climate change and health – Current knowledge** Dr Maria Neira, Director Public Health and Environment, WHO
- **Energy policies, climate change and health** Daniel Kammen, Professor at the University of California, Berkeley, USA - Director, Renewable and Appropriate Energy Laboratory

- **Perspectives from a Small Island State** Dr Mohamed Shareef, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Housing, Transport and Environment, Maldives

## **PANEL DISCUSSION**

**Moderator** *Franklin Apfel*

- André Jol, Head of Group on Climate Change and Energy, European Environment Agency (EEA)
- Sarah Hendry Director, International Affairs, Department of Health, United Kingdom
- Georgios Kostakos, Senior Policy Adviser, CEB Secretariat, UN
- Alicia Montalvo, General Director of the Spanish Climate Change Office, Spain
- Roberto Della Seta, Legambiente NGO, Italy
- Palanitina Tupuimatagi Toelupe, Ministry of Health, Samoa
- Henning Wüster, UNFCCC (Invited)
- Media representation