



MEDIA ADVISORY

Ban Ki-moon to attend IPCC press conference in Valencia on 17 November

The Secretary General of the United Nations, Mr. Ban Ki-moon, will participate in a press conference to launch the Synthesis Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change in Valencia, Spain, on 17 November, the last day of the IPCC 27th Session.

The "Synthesis Report" is the final part of the IPCC Fourth Assessment Report titled "Climate Change 2007." This report is the latest instalment in a series of IPCC Assessments that have provided the most comprehensive scientific evidence regarding the state of the Earth's changing climate. This work has been conducted by hundreds of scientists around the world since 1988, when the IPCC was founded by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). It led to the IPCC being jointly awarded the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize with Mr. Al Gore for increasing knowledge on man-made climate change and options to counteract such change.

Media opportunities for the IPCC 27th Session will be the Opening Ceremony on 12 November and the press conference on 17 November. Speakers at the Opening Ceremony will include Ms. Cristina Narbona, Spanish Minister of Environment; Mr. Yvo de Boer, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change; Mr. Rajendra Pachauri, Chairman of the IPCC and representatives from WMO and UNEP.

Please note that additional accreditation requirements will be applied. Relevant information will be posted on the website next week.

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