

Ten Climate Change Resources (2009)

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The following resources provide the latest information and research from the scientific community on the subject of climate change. International consensus on the inevitability of climate change has led many organizations to begin the complex task of preparing for a different Earth. Actions taken today can help future generations cope with a changed global landscape.

1) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

EPA's Climate Change Site offers comprehensive information on the issue of climate change in a way that is accessible and meaningful to all parts of society – communities, individuals, business, states and localities, and governments.

<http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/index.html>

Kid's Site <http://epa.gov/climatechange/kids/index.html>

2) International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) –Local Governments for Sustainability

Fortified by the scientific community, media attention, and climate champions, local governments are taking the challenge of reducing their climate impacts head on – and reaping the benefits.

<http://www.icleiusa.org/programs/climate>

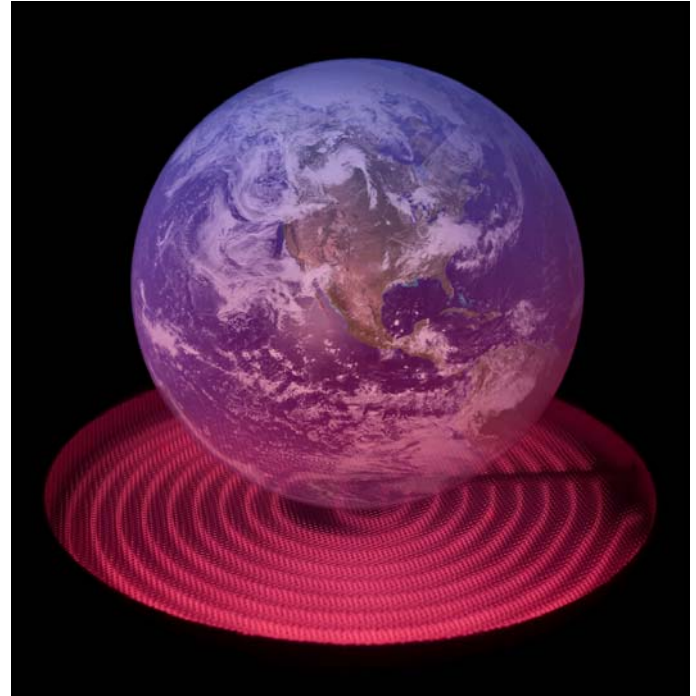
3) Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)

The IPCC was established to provide the decision-makers and others interested in climate change with an objective source of information about climate change.

<http://www.ipcc.ch/>

4) Florida Energy and Climate Commission

Created by Governor Charlie Crist and the Florida Legislature in the 2008 Legislative session, the Florida Energy & Climate Commission is housed within the Executive Office of the Governor and is the primary organization for state energy and climate change programs and policies.



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http://www.myfloridaclimate.com/env/home/climate_quick_links/florida_energy_climate_commission

5) National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Climate Program Office

Understanding climate variability and change to enhance society's ability to plan and respond.

<http://www.climate.noaa.gov/education/>

6) UF Office of Sustainability

Embracing sustainability is a matter of ensuring that UF stands at the cutting edge in generating the knowledge and technology that will be in the greatest demand for the foreseeable future.

<http://www.sustainability.ufl.edu/>

7) National Academies of Science

In response to a request from Congress, the National Academies have launched America's Climate Choices, a suite of studies designed to inform and guide responses to climate change

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<http://dels.nas.edu/basc/climate-change/basics.shtml>

8) Pew Center on Global Climate Change

The Pew Center on Global Climate Change brings together business leaders, policy makers, scientists, and other experts to bring a new approach to a complex and often controversial issue.

<http://www.pewclimate.org/global-warming-basics>

9) United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

Over a decade ago, most countries joined an international treaty -- the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) -- to begin to consider what can be done to reduce global warming and to cope with whatever temperature increases are inevitable.

<http://unfccc.int/2860.php>

10) U.S. EPA Cap and Trade

Cap and trade is a market-based policy tool for protecting human health and the environment by controlling large amounts of emissions from a

group of sources.

<http://www.epa.gov/captrade/basic-info.html>

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