

SAVE THE DATE: 21 November 2023, 11:00 - 12:30 CET

CCMI Webinar: Climate change and health impacts

The Climate Change Modelling Information (CCMI) project funded by Directorate General Climate Action (DG CLIMA) of the European Commission invites you to a webinar on 21 November 2023, 11:00-12:30 CET.

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Context

In the past decades, climate change impacts have been impacting human lives and health by changing the severity and frequency of extreme weather and climate events (e.g. heat waves, floods, etc.) and alterations in labour capacity, food security, and the distribution of infectious diseases across geographies. The key question that remains crucial for many climate and health studies is whether, how, and to what extent climate change is affecting health. A better understanding of the causal link between climate trends and health outcomes could help policymakers assess potential risk and improve health system preparedness and response interventions.

Focus

The purpose of this second CCMI webinar is to create a space for climate change modellers and climate policy practitioners to discuss the latest developments and opportunities in assessing the links between climate change and health. Both focusing on the impacts of climate change on health, as well as the many co-benefits that ambitious climate action, together with mitigation and adaptation measures can bring on human health (such as cleaner air, more active lifestyles, healthier diets, increased exposure to green urban spaces).

The webinar could help explore the interactions between climate and health and identify needs and priorities for future development.

The webinar would give space to speakers from both the climate change modelling community and the public health research community.

Key questions to discuss include:

- What are the intersections between climate change and health?
- What is the state-of-the-art of research findings about heat-related mortality events in Europe and the attribution of mortality to human-induced climate change?
- How can we link science, policy and practice for a comprehensive assessment of climate mitigation and adaptation investments and their impact on human health?

Agenda

Time	Topic	Speaker
11:00 – 11:10	Welcome and introduction to the topic	Vicky Pollard , DG CLIMA
11:10 – 12:00	The intersections between climate science, public health and epidemiology	Ana M. Vicedo Cabrera , University of Bern

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	Attribution of extreme heat-related mortality events in Europe	Thessa Beck , Barcelona Institute for Global Health
	WHO's report "A framework for the quantification and economic valuation of health outcomes originating from health and non-health climate change mitigation and adaptation action"	Andrea Bassi IISD and Stellenbosch University, South Africa
	Healthy Planet, Healthy People: Unveiling the health-related co-benefits of climate actions from the IPCC AR6 reports	Shreya Some , Asian Institute of Technology
12:00 -12:20	Interactive discussion	All speakers with moderator: Aurora Audino , ICF
12:20-12:30	Conclusions and closing	ICF and DG CLIMA