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## 1. Climate Change in Queensland: What the Science is Telling Us?

The report analyses international and national climate change science, and assesses its significance to Queensland, Australia. It finds that Queensland is at risk from climate change. The report stresses the need for reducing greenhouse gas emissions, as well as adapting to inevitable changes in Queensland for ensuring its future prosperity and well-being.

[Climate Change in Queensland: What the Science is Telling Us](#), Office of Climate Change, Environmental Protection Agency, Brisbane, Australia, June 2008 [2.12 MB, PDF]

## 2. Role of Cities in Climate Governance - The Case of London

This working paper focuses on a group of non nation-state actors - global cities - and their role in climate governance. It documents the experience of London. The paper examines the significance of the activities of London in addressing climate change, and assesses how they are affecting and will be affected by the post-2012 international policy framework.

[Governing Climate Change Post-2012: The Role of Global Cities - London](#), Harriet Bulkeley and Heike Schroeder, Working Paper 123, Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research, UK, October 2008 [1.14 MB, PDF]

### **3. Confronting Climate Change: A Strategy for United States**

The report argues that the United States must lead with domestic action on climate change. It proposes a U.S. negotiating strategy for a global UN climate agreement that includes commitments from all major economies. The report urges wealthy countries to help more vulnerable ones adapt to the impacts of unavoidable climate change.

[Confronting Climate Change: A Strategy for U.S. Foreign Policy](#), George E. Pataki and Thomas J. Vilsack (Task Force Chairs), Independent Task Force Report No. 61, Council on Foreign Relations, New York, USA, 2008

### **4. Financing the Global Climate Change Response: Suggestions**

The paper examines the prospect of creating a Climate Change Fund (CCF) as an option for financing the global climate change response. It suggests that the Conference of the Parties to the Convention (COP) should directly operate the Convention's financial mechanism by setting up a Climate Change Fund (CCF).

[Financing the Global Climate Change Response: Suggestions for a Climate Change Fund](#) (CCF), Analytical Note, South Centre, Geneva, Switzerland, May 2008

### **5. Pastoral Land Rights, Livelihoods and Climate Adaptation**

This paper presents a brief overview of pastoral systems, and analyses the rationale behind mobility as a strategy to cope with scarce and variable resource endowment. It addresses the rights concerning the access to and the control of resources in the context of climate change.

[Browsing on Fences: Pastoral Land Rights, Livelihoods and Adaptation to Climate Change](#), Michele Nori, Michael Taylor, Alessandra Sensi, Issue Paper No. 148, International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED), UK, May 2008 [235 KB, PDF]

### **6. GREENHOUSE 2009: Climate Change and Responses**

Running from 23-26 March 2009 at the Burswood Convention Centre in Perth, Western Australia, this conference will feature many examples of industry and government approaches to adapting to, and mitigating climate change, as well as presentations on the latest Australian and international science findings. Paper proposals may be submitted by 14 November 2008.

[GREENHOUSE 2009: Climate Change and Responses](#), CSIRO and Australian Climate Change Science Program, Burswood Convention Centre, Perth, Western Australia, 23-26 March 2009

### **Policy Forum: Climate Change, Vulnerability and Adaptation for South West Western Australia from 1975 to the Present - Luke Morgan**

Luke Morgan, Senior Policy Officer at the Western Australian Department of Agriculture and Food, writes, "Awareness and adaptation to climate change during the past 30 years has been emerging, with most sectors only responding in the last five to 10 years. Most past responses focused on mitigating greenhouse gas emissions, but as the inevitability of climate change becomes clearer and

world-wide attention shifts to adaptation, so too SWWA's sectors are considering how to adapt." Morgan suggests, "The challenge for the future is to better understand what influences peoples' decision making and to encourage them to change their behaviour based on new beliefs about climate change. There is a need to bring science and the wider community together, and provide opportunities for people to understand the consequences of different actions, to question their assumptions, conclusions and beliefs, and encourage them to consider different perspectives."

[Climate Change, Vulnerability and Adaptation for South West Western Australia from 1975 to the Present](#), Luke Morgan, AdaptNet Policy Forum 08-11-P-Ad, 11 November 2008

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