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1. The Garnaut Climate Change Review Releases Final Report

The report examines how Australia is likely to be affected by climate change and how it can best contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation. It provides recommendations on the policy options for Australia to most effectively respond to climate change.

[The Garnaut Climate Change Review: Final Report](#), Ross Garnaut, Garnaut Climate Change Review, Cambridge University Press, Melbourne, Australia, September 30, 2008 [15.5 MB, PDF]

2. Chicago Climate Action Plan: Our City - Our Future

The Chicago climate action plan outlines five strategies, which are broken into 35 actions for mitigating greenhouse gas emissions and adapting to the climatic impacts. It details steps for organizations and suggests actions for Chicago residents to reduce their emissions, while preparing for climate changes that cannot be avoided.

[Chicago Climate Action Plan: Our City - Our Future](#), City of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, USA, September 2008 [7.22 MB, PDF]

3. Bali Roadmap - New Horizons and Old Pitfalls

The paper examines the outcomes of the 13th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC (Bali conference) held in December 2007. It finds that the Bali conference showed a significant shift in the battle lines, a rearrangement of positions and alliances that might well announce a decisive new era in global climate policy.

[The Bali Roadmap for Global Climate Policy - New Horizons and Old Pitfalls \(pre-editorial text\)](#), Rie Watanabe, Wuppertal Institute Working Paper, Wuppertal Institute for Climate, Environment, and Energy, Germany, June 2008 [119 KB, PDF]

4. Adaptation Strategies for Tolerant Hardwood Forests - Canada

The report uses a set of modeling tools, and finds that all climate change scenarios lead to serious impacts on the composition and dynamics of the tolerant hardwood forest of eastern Canada. It proposes relevant adaptation strategies to minimize these impacts and to promote landscape structure of the area.

[Climate Change Adaptation Strategies for the Tolerant Hardwood Forests of Eastern Canada](#), Stephen H. Yamasaki et al., Report for the Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation Program, Natural Resources Canada, March 31, 2008 [2.09 MB, PDF]

5. Vulnerability - Post 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami

The study identifies the key factors, which have contributed to vulnerability associated with the 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami in Sri Lanka and Indonesia. Focusing on the application of vulnerability thinking, it documents the underlying causes and contributing factors identified through the application of a conceptual framework of vulnerability.

[Vulnerability in the Context of Post 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami Recovery: Lessons for Building More Resilient Coastal Communities](#), R.K.Larsen, F. Miller and F. Thomalla, Risk, Livelihoods, and Vulnerability Programme - Working Paper, Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI), Sweden, 2008 [1.12 MB, PDF]

6. Climate Change as a Security Threat - Conference

This conference will be held in Freiburg, Germany on 06-07 November 2008. It will focus on potential conflict constellations caused by climate change and the impacts these conflicts may have on peace and security. For registration details, please see the link below.

[Climate Change as a Security Threat - Strategies for Policy-Makers, Science and Business](#), Federal Foreign Office, Germany, 06-07 November 2008

Policy Forum: Resilience as Emergent Behavior - Peter Hayes

Peter Hayes, Climate Change Adaptation Program Leader at Global Cities Institute of RMIT University, and Executive Director of Nautilus Institute, writes, "It is increasingly clear that the main game is now adaptation which renders mitigation no less urgent, but shifts the political equation in dramatic ways that cannot be ignored any longer." Hayes suggests, "Global state and market-based solutions will fall far short of an adequate (climate) response. The responsibility will devolve to cities and local communities to pick up the pieces."

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