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1. Sea Level Rise in NSW, Australia - Adaptation Strategies

The paper provides a description of the likely effects of a sea level rise of up to 1 m on urban developments along the New South Wales (NSW) coast. It discusses some adaptation strategies (amendments to flood planning levels, planned retreat from an area, levee construction, raising buildings and constructing new buildings) to manage the potential problem for both existing and future developments.

<u>Floodplain Management in NSW - Adapting for Sea Level Rise</u>, Richard Dewar and Duncan McLuckie, Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia (IPWEA), Australia, 2008 [453 KB, PDF]

2. Role of Cities in Climate Governance - The Case of Los Angeles

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 Los Angeles. The paper examines the significance of the activities of Los Angeles 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 - Case Study: Los Angeles, Heike Schroeder and Harriet Bulkeley, Working Paper 122, Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research, UK, September 2008 [1.16 MB, PDF]

3. Adaptation Strategy and Measures for Germany

The report discusses climate-related vulnerabilities at the regional and sectoral level in Germany, as well as the resulting risks and possible opportunities. It identifies some of the possible policies and actions for adaptation to climate change for the most vulnerable sectors in Germany.

Germany in the Midst of Climate Change: Adaptation is Necessary, Bastian Schuchardt et al., German Federal Environment Agency, Germany, April 2008 [1.12 MB, PDF]

4. Climate Wrongs and Human Rights

This briefing proposes that human rights principles provide a guideline for dealing with climate change. It emphasises that the human rights community must become more engaged in national and international climate-policy debates, and human rights law and institutions must evolve much faster to rise to the unprecedented international challenge that climate change creates.

<u>Climate Wrongs and Human Rights: Putting People at the Heart of Climate-Change Policy</u>, Oxfam Briefing Paper 117, Oxfam International, September 2008 [291 KB, PDF]

5. Climate Change and Displacement

This edited review analyses a range of climate and migration related issues which focus on case studies in Central Asia, Kenya, Kiribati, Ghana, Alaska and Bangladesh, among others. It discusses topics including: environmental migration; human rights implications of climate change; community-led adaptation; rural-urban migration; governance issues and changing climate policies.

<u>Climate Change and Displacement</u>, Marion Couldrey and Maurice Herson (editors), Forced Migration Review, Issue 31, Refugee Studies Centre, Oxford Department of International Development, University of Oxford, UK, October 2008 [3.50 MB, PDF]

6. Vulnerabilities of Urban Africa - Call for Proposals

The Climate Change Adaptation in Africa (CCAA) program invites combined research and capacity building proposals that address the vulnerabilities of Africa's urban centres to climate change, and will help urban stakeholders work together in developing adaptation options. Completed applications, accompanied by full proposals, may be submitted by November 30, 2008.

Addressing the Climate Vulnerabilities of Urban Africa: Call for Proposals, Climate Change Adaptation in Africa (CCAA), International Development Research Centre (IDRC), 30 November 2008

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