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## 1. Future Map: Melbourne 2030

This Melbourne-specific report is a blueprint for adapting to the inevitable impacts of climate change including; rising sea levels, increasing temperatures, and more frequent extreme weather events. It identifies opportunities for policy and action to positively impact the future of Melbourne across economic, social and environmental platforms.

[Future Map: Melbourne 2030](#), Climate Change Task Force - An Initiative of the Committee for Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia, July 2008 [1.33 MB, PDF]

## 2. Adaptation Quick Guide: City of Chicago

This document is a summary of a report prepared for the City of Chicago on preparing for climate change. It informs about the Chicago Climate Action Plan. The document shows the municipalities and businesses why taking action to prepare for climate change is important and how to do it.

[Chicago Area Climate Change Quick Guide: Adapting to the Physical Impacts of Climate Change - For Municipalities and Other Governments](#), Chicago Climate Action Plan, Julia Parzen (editor), City of Chicago, March 2008 [557 KB, PDF]

## 3. Maintaining Future Insurability in Coastal Communities

The report looks at the impact of climate change on flood risk at a number of coastal locations around the world, considering sea-level rise, the effect of wind speed on storm surges, and changes in land use. It finds how insurability in these regions can be maintained in the future.

[Coastal Communities and Climate Change: Maintaining Future Insurability](#), 360 Driving the Debate on Emerging Risk, Lloyd's, London, UK, September 2008 [6.12 MB, PDF]

#### **4. How ICTs Help Adapting to the Climate Change?**

The paper explores the role of information and communication technologies (ICTs) in enabling people to adapt to the consequences of climate change, particularly in the most vulnerable regions of the world. Using ICTs in the Arctic, the paper finds that in addition to the harmful impacts of climate change, beneficial opportunities could also be found.

[ICTs, Adaptation to Climate Change, and Sustainable Development at the Edges: An IISD Commentary](#), Don MacLean, International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD), Canada, August 2008 [437 KB, PDF]

#### **5. Protecting Health from Climate Change - Europe**

The report draws decision-makers' attention to the convincing evidence of climate-related health threats and to why and how they should be urgently addressed. It describes current and projected climate-related health effects and the challenges to health systems in the European Region, as well as practical guidance on action by individuals and countries.

[Protecting Health in Europe from Climate Change](#), Bettina Menne et al. (editors), World Health Organization, Copenhagen, Denmark, 2008 [2.04 MB, PDF]

#### **6. The World Bank's Film Competition on Climate Change**

The World Bank's Social Development Department launches a world-wide documentary competition, "Vulnerability Exposed: Social Dimensions of Climate Change". 2-5 minute documentaries showcasing the social implications of climate change (conflict, migration, urban space, rural institutions, drylands, social policy, indigenous peoples, gender, governance, forests and/or human rights) may be submitted by 24 October 2008.

[Vulnerability Exposed: Social Dimensions of Climate Change - A Documentary Competition](#), Social Development Department, the World Bank, Washington DC, USA, October 24, 2008

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- AdaptNet in English: [2006](#), [2007](#), [2008](#).

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