

# Using scientific evidence to mobilise action worldwide on climate change and health

## Official Side Event at the UNFCCC Bonn Climate Change Conference 2022

Join the InterAcademy Partnership (IAP) & the Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf)

Date: Tuesday, 7 June 2022 | Time: 3:00 - 4:30 PM CEST | Venue: WCC Bonn, Kaminzimmer & online

Climate change is a global health crisis. The scale, nature and timing of adverse effects on physical and mental health, via direct and indirect pathways, vary within and between regions. Yet, there are common challenges that must be tackled by better integrated solutions for mitigation (reducing greenhouse gas emissions) and adaptation (adjusting to what cannot be avoided).

In this UNFCCC Bonn Climate Change Conference Side event, IAP, a global network of science academies, together with ASSAf will summarise African and global perspectives. Presenters will draw on the findings of a three-year global project IAP has worked on together with its regional networks in Africa, Asia, the Americas and Europe, evaluating evidence from the diverse regions to inform policy for collective and customised action at national, regional and global levels. In a panel discussion, speakers from Europe and Africa will present perspectives from science, civil society and national government on how to raise visibility and stimulate action on health issues in intergovernmental policy processes, looking ahead to COP27 and COP28.

The event will take place in a hybrid format, both onsite in Bonn as well as on the digital conference platform. A live stream will be provided on the official [UNFCCC YouTube channel](#). More information about the event is available [here](#).

Time	Title	Speaker(s)
03:00	Welcome and introduction to the InterAcademy Partnership (IAP) and its Climate Change and Health Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Johanna Mogwitz, IAP project assistant</i></li></ul>
03:05	Welcome by ASSAf and introduction to NASAC African Report on Climate Change and Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Prof Mary Scholes, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa</i></li><li>• <i>Dr Thandi Kapwata, Medical Research Council South Africa, NASAC Report Author</i></li></ul>
03:20	Global perspectives on climate change and health: focusing on solutions (overview IAP global report)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Andy Haines, LSHTM &amp; IAP project co-chair</i></li></ul>
03:35	Panel discussion with contributions	<p><b>Moderators: Robin Fears &amp; Johanna Mogwitz</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Dr Mary-Jane Bopape, South African Environmental Observation Network</i></li><li>• <i>Prof Coleen Vogel, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa</i></li><li>• <i>Dr Anna Babette Stier, Federal Ministry of Health, Germany</i></li><li>• <i>Saad Uakkas, African Youth Initiative for Climate Change</i></li></ul>
04:28	Closing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Johanna Mogwitz, IAP project assistant</i></li></ul>