



Preliminary outline of the conference

The conference will be opened by the State Secretary Matthias Machnig. An introduction by Prof. Klaus Hasselmann, the vice chairman of ECF, will follow. He will introduce Dr. Pachauri who will provide an overview of the IPCC IV assessment report and some personal remarks about implications for policy and business in view of the negotiations in Bali and the post 2012 process. The opening session will be followed by four different panels. The panels with presentations by IPCC Lead Authors and panel responses given by international experts will guide us through the day.

Panel I

“What level of climate change is to be avoided?” is the theme for the first panel. A presentation by Lead Author William Hare about the key findings of IPCC AR4 will lead us to the first panel discussion.

Panel II

To define common future goals is the aim of Panel II: “Should policy aim to peak global emissions in the next 10–15 years?” In response to the presentation of Lead Author Bert Metz of IPCC AR4 climate negotiators from different countries will speak from regional perspectives.

Panel III

Early afternoon Panel III will tackle the strategic options: “How can dangerous climate change be avoided?” Technological options and policy directions will be discussed in relation to costs, benefits and risks after the presentation of Lead Author Nebojsa Nakicenovic.

Panel IV

The current political agenda and the need to develop first steps towards a roadmap for the post 2012 process will be the topic of the last panel, entitled “Bali and the post 2012 process: What needs to be achieved in Bali and beyond?”

A **concluding session** with remarks from policy and science will close the day and leave the floor to the artist and photographer Mark Edward and his photo show “The Dark Rain”.