



Call for Applications

For Early Career Researchers and Professionals to participate in the IPCC Cities and Climate Change Conference 2018 5-7 March 2018, Edmonton, Canada

We are pleased to announce that the World Climate Research Programme (WCRP) and Future Earth offer support for early career researchers and professionals (ECRs/ECPs*) to get involved in the 2018 Cities and Climate Change Science Conference. These ECR/ECPs will be supported to attend the conference and will assist with coordinating and organizing the early career activities before as well as during the conference. It is an excellent opportunity for ECRs/ECPs to actively participate in this important conference, in order to gain an understanding of the state-of-the art knowledge on cities and climate change, to connect to scientists, practitioners and policymakers, and to showcase their research.

About the conference

The plan for the 2018 Cities and Climate Change Science Conference was approved by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) in October 2016. This scientific conference will bring together representatives from academia, scientific bodies and agencies; concerned member states of the United Nations; city and regional governments; and urban and climate change practitioners. It aims to stimulate scientific and practice-based knowledge around cities and climate change, to provide inputs to the IPCC products of the sixth assessment cycle (AR6) and to establish the foundation for the Special Report (SR) on cities and climate change that will be undertaken during the seventh assessment cycle (AR7). The outcomes of the conference will help member states, mayors and citizens deliver on the ambition of the Paris Agreement, the New Urban Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals.

Do you want to be one of the ECR/ECPs to get involved?

In order to participate in the 2018 IPCC Cities and Climate Change Science Conference, please submit your abstract on the conference website (http://citiesipcc.org/). The submission phase is now open (September 1, 2017) and the deadline for submission is <u>October 6, 2017</u>. To apply for WCRP / Future Earth support, please forward your abstract application confirmation together with a short motivation letter (<500 words) and your CV to wcrp@wmo.int by October 6, 2017. The application should have the email title: '*ECR/ECP Application – CitiesIPCC*'. In your motivation letter, please describe your interest in and ideas to contribute to the conference objectives as an ECR/ECP, and please indicate if you would be willing to serve as session scientists/supporters. Based on the applications, ECR/ECPs will be selected to attend the conference, as well as to assist with coordinating and organizing the early career activities before and during the conference. For further information and/or questions, please email wcrp@wmo.int.

The conference is co-organized by a diverse group of organizations such as C40, Cities Alliance, ICLEI-Local Government for Sustainability, Future Earth, Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN), United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG), UN-Habitat, the UN Environment Programme (UNEP) and the World Climate Research Programme (WCRP) and is co-sponsored by IPCC.

*ECRs are considered to be early career researchers who have completed or are currently in the course of obtaining a Master or PhD degree, and/or who are working in academia in the first six years after obtaining their highest degree.

*ECPs are considered to be early career practitioners who have completed a Master or PhD and are in the first six years after obtaining their highest professional degree.