



# CLIMATE CHANGE IN POLAND conference organized by UNIC/Warsaw and the Polish Academy of Sciences

23 October 2019, 11:00 a.m. Warsaw University Library (BUW), 56/66 Dobra Street, Warsaw Conference room no. 316, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor

# 11:00 – 11:20 Official opening of the conference

- prof. Maciej Duszczyk, Vice-Rector for Research and International Relations, Warsaw University
- prof. Jerzy Duszyński, President of the Polish Academy of Sciences
- Mariola Ratschka, Officer-in-Charge, United Nations Information Centre in Warsaw

#### 11:20 - 11:40 Introduction

prof. Szymon Malinowski, Faculty of Physics, Warsaw University
"Global warming: how does it work and how does it threaten us?"

## 11:40 - 12:40 Panel 1: WHAT IS OUR FUTURE?

Will the impacts of climate change intensify in Poland and are we prepared for it? What is the relationship between smog and climate change? How does climate change affect migration and refugees?

- dr Michał Kurtyka, Secretary of State, Ministry of Environment
- dr Jakub Jędrak, Smog LAB, Polish Smog Alert
- dr Alaksandra Kardaś, Faculty of Physics, Warsaw University
- Anna Rostocka, Director of International Organization for Migration Poland
- Moderator prof. Paweł Rowiński, Vice-President of the Polish Academy of Sciences
- Question and Answer Sessions

### 12:40 - 13:40 Panel 2: HOW DOES IT AFFECT PEOPLE?

What is the impact of climate change on human health? Attitudes and concerns towards climate change. How can young people mitigate the effects of climate change? Should decision makers be held responsible for the climate crisis?

- Rafał Trzaskowski, Mayor of Warsaw
- dr Paloma Cuchi, Director of World Health Organization Poland
- dr Magdalena Budziszewska, Faculty of Psychology, Warsaw University
- Janina Świerżewska, Youth strike 4 climate
- Paweł Szypulski, Campaign Coordinator, Greenpeace Poland
- Moderator Edwin Bendyk, journalist, weekly newsmagazine 'Polityka'
- Question and Answer Sessions

#### 13:40 - 14:10 Break

### 14:10-15:10 Panel 3: HOW DOES IT AFFECT THE ENVIRONMENT?

What future awaits Polish rivers and will we run out of drinking water in 30 years? Changes in the functioning of the Baltic Sea ecosystem - is it time to say goodbye to the codfish? How will climate change affect food security in Poland? What will happen to Polish fruit and will we still eat meat? Changes in the occurrence of species in Poland.

- Henryk Kowalczyk, Minister of Environment
- dr Przemysław Nawrocki, fresh water ecosystems and species conservation expert, WWF Poland
- prof. Jan Marcin Węsławski, Institute of Oceanology of the Polish Academy of Sciences
- prof. Zbigniew Karaczun, Warsaw University of Life Sciences, expert of the Polish Climate Coalition
- dr Monika Szewczyk, expert on geobotany and nature protection, UNEP/GRID-Warsaw
- Moderator- dr Agata Goździk, Institute of Geophysics, Polish Academy of Sciences
- Question and Answer Sessions

#### 15:10-16:10 Panel 4: HOW DOES IT AFFECT BUSINESS?

Engaging business in real actions to protect the environment. Are new alternative anti-smog technologies available for everyone? Business and responsible, sustainable consumption - what can be done, what can be improved? How does the innovative electronics industry contribute to environmental protection? Responsible production of outdoor clothing and equipment.

- Jadwiga Emilewicz, Minister of Entrepreneurship and Technology
- Maria Andrzejewska, Director, UNEP/GRID-Warsaw
- prof. Jan Kiciński, Director, Institute of Fluid-Flow Machinery, Polish Academy of Sciences
- Adam Balion, Brand Manager, Jack Wolfskin Poland
- Katarzyna Dulko-Gaszyna, Sustainability Manager, IKEA Retail in Poland
- Jacek Legiewicz, Public Affairs Director, SAMSUNG Poland
- Moderator Aleksandra Dziadykiewicz, TOK FM radio
- Question and Answer Sessions