

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

WORLD ACTION SUMMIT

Day 1 of the World Climate Action Summit convenes heads of state and government, alongside leaders from civil society business, youth, Indigenous Peoples' organizations, frontline communities, science and other sectors to discuss concrete actions and plans aimed at scaling climate action.

Day Lead: Federico Marcon

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

9.15 - 10.15AM

Monash Pavilion - Official Opening - *Event type: Official Opening*

About the event:

Everyone is welcome to join the official launch of the Monash Pavilion at COP28. The Monash Chancellor Simon McKeon AO, along with Kristin Tilley, Australia's Ambassador for Climate Change, will provide opening remarks and invite COP participants to engage in two weeks of events at the Monash Pavilion during COP.

Speakers/Hosts:

- **Simon McKeon AO** - Chancellor, Monash University Australia
- **Rebekah Brown** - Deputy Vice Chancellor Research and Senior Vice-President, Monash University Australia
- **Kristin Tilley** - Ambassador for Climate Change, Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- **Jessica Walters** - Project Coordinator, Monash Sustainable Development Institute
- **Amelia Turk** - Australian lead for MockCOP, youth board member of Millennium Kids

Organiser: Monash University

10.30 - 11.45AM

The Impact of Climate Change on Health Systems and Funding in the Indo-Pacific region - *Event type: High-level Panel*

About the event:

The impacts of climate change on human health and healthcare systems are inextricably linked. As the direct and indirect physical and mental health impacts of climate change on human health grow, there are increasing demands on health services and government budgets to tackle health inequity. Climate and Health is a complex challenge that requires strong collaboration between governments, multilaterals, corporates, academia and civil society organisations to embark in mission-oriented initiatives that drive innovative solutions.

Speakers/hosts:

- **Rebekah Brown** - Deputy Vice Chancellor Research and Senior Vice-President, Monash University Australia
- **Rachel Huxley** - Head of Mitigation, Climate and Health, Wellcome
- **Diarmid Campbell-Lendrum** - Head of Climate Change and Health, World Health Organisation
- **Helga Flores Trejo** - Vice President and Global Head of International and Multilateral Affairs, Bayer AG
- **Tony Capon** - Director, Monash Sustainable Development Institute
- **Gabriela Fernando** - Assistant Professor in Public Health, Monash University Indonesia
- **Federico Marcon** - Deputy Director Development, Monash University Australia (Moderator)

Organiser: Monash University

12 - 12.25PM

Professor Jeffrey Sachs: the role of the private sector to foster partnerships with academia, governments and civil society to tackle climate change

Event type: Presentation

About the event:

Join us for this rapid-fire presentation with Professor Jeffrey Sachs: the role of the private sector in crafting partnerships with governments, academia and civil society organisations to upscale the global effort to tackle climate change and drive mission-oriented initiatives

Speakers/Hosts:

- **Professor Jeffrey Sachs** - Director of the Center for Sustainable Development, Columbia University and President of the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network
- **Rebekah Brown** - Deputy Vice Chancellor Research and Senior Vice-President, Monash University Australia (moderator)

Organisation Co-Hosts: Monash University

12.50 - 2PM

Navigating the UNFCCC: A '101' masterclass for Early Career Researchers to maximise participation at COP28 - *Event type: Networking event / Masterclass***About the event:**

This event encompasses 4 short masterclasses on COP and the UNFCCC. It is designed to help people new to COPs, and Early Career Researchers (ECR), to make the most of COP and make their research and education efforts impactful within the UNFCCC processes. There will be four masterclasses that will run sequentially:

- **Masterclass #1:** What is the UNFCCC's structure and operations?
- **Masterclass #2:** Constituency operations at COP28. What are they and what do they do?
- **Masterclass #3:** How to make your research matter or make an impact at COP / within the UNFCCC?

- **Masterclass #4:** Logistics: How can you get in contact with negotiators? How can you best organise your time at COP28? How can you get access to the negotiations?

Speakers/Hosts:

- **Diane Husic** - Dean, Center for Scholarship, Research and Creative Endeavors, Moravian University
- **Tracy Bach** - Professor of Law, Co-Focal Point, UNFCCC Research and Independent NGOs (RINGO), Lecturer, Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth
- **Gillian Bowser** - Associate Professor, Department of Ecosystem Science and Sustainability, American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Fellow
- **Sarah Green** - Professor of Chemistry, Michigan Technological University
- **Isabelle Zhu-Maguire** - Monash Sustainable Development Institute, SDSN Youth (moderator)

Organisers: Monash University; Moravian University, Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth, Michigan Technological University, Monash Sustainable Development Institute, Research and Independent Non-Governmental Organizations (RINGO), Youth Environmental Alliance in Higher Education, SDSN Youth

2.30 - 4PM

The financial and economic impact of climate change in communities, governments and corporates in the Indo-Pacific region

Event type: High-level Panel

About the event:

The economic costs of climate change are substantial and progressively increasing: yet the links between business, economics and finance and climate change mitigation, adaptation and resilience have not been interrogated, which limits the development of appropriate policy and investment responses from key stakeholders such as governments, multilateral organisations and corporates, among others. Addressing how climate change impacts economic and business policy and practice and, conversely, what the appropriate economic and business policy responses should be, is an urgent and key priority for all countries in the region.

Speakers/Hosts:

- Peng Zhong - Director Social Innovation & Engagement, Bayer Foundation
- Ruel Yamuna - Special Envoy for Climate and Environment, Government of Papua New Guinea
- Kushaal Raj - Pacific Policy Director, Conservation International and former Director of the Climate Change Division, Government of Fiji
- Tony Worby - Chief Scientist, Minderoo Foundation
- Tristan Ace - Chief Product Officer, Asian Venture Philanthropy Network
- Michaela Morris - Head of Program Delivery, ClimateWorks Centre Monash University Australia
- Federico Marcon - Deputy Director Development, Monash University Australia (moderator)

Organiser: Monash University

4:30 - 5:30

Networking Reception: Universities for Climate Action

Event type: Networking & drinks

About the event:

This networking reception, at the end of Day 1, is co-hosted with a range of partners and universities committed to climate action. It will be an opportunity to connect with friends, colleagues, and existing contacts at the start of COP. As well, the reception will provide the opportunity to make new contacts of like-minded people at COP in the higher-education and Research and Independent Non-Governmental Organizations (RINGO) constituency and explore the role of local government in spearheading climate mitigation and adaptation efforts.

Organisers/ Co-hosts:

Monash University; University Melbourne; Australian National University (ANU); University of Sydney; University of New South Wales (UNSW); University of Technology Sydney (UTS); University of Wollongong; Macquarie University; Curtin University; National University of Singapore (NUS); De Montfort University; Imperial College London (ICL); United Kingdom Universities Climate Network (UUCN); International Universities Climate Alliance (IUCA); University of California San Diego; Newcastle University

5.40 - 6.10PM

Fireside Chat with Nicole Iseppi: How Philanthropy can spearhead the transition to just energy in the Global South

Event type: Fireside Chat

About the event:

Join us for an interactive 1:1 Fireside Chat with Nicole Iseppi to discuss how philanthropic groups can play a significant role in steering the world towards a more sustainable future and ensure that transition to just energy benefits everyone.

Speakers/hosts:

- **Nicole Iseppi** - Director of Energy Innovation, Bezos Earth Fund
- **Federico Marcon** - Deputy Director, Development, Monash University (Moderator)

Organiser: Monash University