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WHO at COP28: Daily highlights for media, Friday 08 December

COP28 Health Pavilion programme

The events are taking place in the Opportunity Petal, Thematic Arena 2 (TA2 225). All the sessions are open to the press and will be livestreamed [here](#). The brochure, with full information about the events, speakers and other resources can be found [here](#).

Climate Action Delivering for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health: Gaps and Opportunities, 09.30-10.45 GST

This session will focus on the impact of climate change on maternal, newborn and child health addressing research approaches, findings and policy implications of a series of studies focusing on climate change and health and advocate solutions. It will be in a panel format with a high-level opening. This event led by UNFPA and co-hosted with the WHO, Amref Health Africa, IDRC, CHAMNHA and HIGH Horizons consortia, aims to unpack these challenges and concrete, locally-led solutions that could be scaled as well as make contributions to the health outcomes of the COP28. The event will also set out the priority steps needed towards developing national adaptation programmes to safeguard pregnant and postpartum women, newborns and children in the anthropogenic era.

Co-designing healthier, low-carbon, more sustainable urban futures for young people, 11.15-12.30 GST

This session explores the intersection of children and young people's health, climate change and urbanisation, to both generate new knowledge and to inform the next phase of the CCC Action Lab. The workshops occurring asynchronously across COP28, invite young people and decision makers to explore the lived-experience young of people in cities affected by climate change and to envision an ideal urban future. Together, the participants and experts will co-design an agenda for improving urban health and sustainability for young people. This series is a part of a larger series of co-design workshops that will take place over the next two years in multiple cities around the world, as part of a £1.5 million grant recently awarded to the CCC Action Lab by the Fondation Botna.

Connecting psychological resilience and mental health to climate action: Insights and hopes of young people, 13.30-14.45 GST

Organized by: Imperial College London (Climate Cares), Wellcome Trust and Connecting Climate Minds lived experience partners (SustyVibes, Climate Mental Health Network, Force of Nature, and Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre); United Nations University (CRIS), UNU MERIT

Disability Rights and the Climate Crisis: Inclusive Decision-Making, Climate Disasters, and Impacts on the Rights of People with Disabilities and Chronic Illnesses, 15.15–16.30 GST

This event will focus on the impacts that people with disabilities and medical conditions experience when facing the effects of climate change and extreme weather events. It will emphasize how people with disabilities and medical conditions must have central roles in decision-making, and how inclusive policymaking is crucial for effective, equitable, and sustainable policy implementation in key areas including loss and damage, mitigation, adaptation, and resilience.

Other events of interest

Connecting climate action and nutrition: paving the way to healthy diets from sustainable food systems, 15.00-16.00 GST, EU Pavillion (online only)

Food systems are both a significant driver and victim of the triple planetary crisis of climate change, pollution and biodiversity loss. More than 3 billion people are not able to afford healthy diets, contributing to all forms of malnutrition, while many environmental systems and processes in the food value chain are pushed beyond safe planetary boundaries. There is an urgent need to transform our food systems.

Please register [here](#) to watch the livestream and recording. Further information about the session: [here](#).

Additional information: [Health at COP28](#); [COP28 Hub](#); [Health in climate change talks](#); [Climate Change and Health](#); [Environment, Climate Change and Health](#); [Fact Sheet: Climate Change](#)

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