

## **The core of climate change knowledge finally to be brought together in Valencia**

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From 12 to 16 November, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (**IPCC**) will convene in Valencia, Spain, to discuss and adopt a synthesised version of its Fourth Assessment Report on Climate Change. Ahead of this meeting,

**GreenFacts** has released a faithful, reader-friendly overview of the assessment.

*This summary, freely available at*

<http://www.greenfacts.org/en/climate-change-ar4/index.htm>

offers a convenient tool for revisiting the **IPCC's** core findings about man-made climate change and ways to counteract it. It shows that connections between human activities and global warming are becoming even clearer and the consequences still more apparent.

**GreenFacts**, an independent non-profit organization based in Brussels, provides the general public with plain-language versions of scientific consensus reports issued by international bodies. **GreenFacts'** summary of the **IPCC's** important conclusions on climate change have been reviewed by five independent scientists – who contributed to the **IPCC** assessment – in an effort to remain clear, accurate and unbiased.

Structured as questions and answers, the summary – available at no charge in English, French, Spanish and Dutch – guides the reader through one of today's most challenging and controversial policy issues. In a few clicks, the reader can easily gain an overview of the complex science of climate change, get more information about points of special interest, and obtain full assurance about the reliability of the information source.

**GreenFacts** has received wide praise from the scientific community for its peer-reviewed summaries of scientific consensus reports on issues of growing interest. Climate change is just one of many topics covered on the **GreenFacts** website. Other recent publications include overviews of consensus reports on biodiversity, carbon dioxide capture and storage, nanotechnology and AIDS.

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**GreenFacts** was created in 2001 by individuals from scientific institutions, environment and health organisations, and businesses, who called for wider access to unbiased information on environment and health topics.

As an observer organization of the **IPCC**, **GreenFacts** closely follows the adoption of the scientific reports that constitute the backbone of the IPCC 4th assessment report: "*The Physical Science Basis*", "*Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability*", and "*Mitigation of Climate Change*".

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