

Communicating Climate Science

Lecture Theatre 220, Mechanical Engineering Building, Imperial College
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Wednesday 7th November 2012, 14.00

Several recent reports have emphasised the need to communicate the scientific evidence concerning climate change in a way the general public can more readily engage with. However, the best way to achieve this is not self-evident, and the design and implementation of improved communication strategies will require significant involvement both from those undertaking climate science research, and those undertaking dissemination. This open meeting is being jointly hosted by the Royal Meteorological Society and the Royal Geographical Society (with IBG), partners of the *WIREs Climate Change* journal, and will explore how the communication of climate science might be improved. It will include the presentation of results from a recently published report entitled *Climate Science, the Public and the News Media*, on research carried out in 2011 with the UK public.

Meeting Organisers: Dr Emily Shuckburgh, Dr Rosie Robison, Prof Nick Pidgeon

14.00	Welcome and introduction.	Dr Emily Shuckburgh British Antarctic Survey / DECC
14:20	A scientist's perspective on communicating climate change.	Prof Tim Palmer University of Oxford / ECMWF
14:40	Climate science, the public and the news media.	Dr Rosie Robison Global Sustainability Institute, Anglia Ruskin University
15:00	Science communication in the UK: have we moved from top down to discursive models?	Dr Alice Bell Science and Technology Policy Research, University of Sussex
15:20	Tea/Coffee	
15:40	Four degrees and beyond? Emissions trajectories and future challenges.	Dr Alice Bows Sustainable Consumption Institute, University of Manchester / Tyndall Centre
16:00	Public perceptions of climate change: a social science view.	Dr Adam Corner Understanding Risk Research Group, Cardiff University
16:20	Communicating with the public.	Chris Rose Campaign Strategy Ltd
16:40	Panel discussion.	
17.30	Meeting Close.	

This meeting is open to all but **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED** – please see www.RMetS.org for details.

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