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In this issue Webwatch covers sites relating to adaptation to climate change.

Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)

The main activity of the IPCC is to provide at regular intervals Assessment Reports of the state of knowledge on climate change, consulting climate change experts from all relevant disciplines and users of IPCC reports, in particular from governments. The latest one is *Climate Change 2007*, the Fourth IPCC Assessment Report; the Fifth report is expected in 2014. Also downloadable from this site is Bates et al. (eds) (2008) *Climate Change and Water*, Technical paper of the IPCC, Geneva. <http://www.ipcc.ch/>

The Co-operative Programme on Water and Climate (CPWC)

This organization aims to stimulate activities in the water sector that contribute to managing the effects of climate variability and change, in particular for the most vulnerable communities. Working with the IUCN, World Water Council and IWA, CPWC produced 16 reports on Water and Climate Change adaptation for the 5th World Water Forum, which are downloadable from this site. <http://www.waterandclimate.org/>

Asia-Pacific Water Forum (APWF)

KnowledgeHubs is the APWF's network of regional water knowledge hubs. Their mission is to deliver state-of-the-art, knowledge-based products and services that meet the practical needs of water organizations like utilities, river basin organizations, ministries, and planning agencies. NAHRIM, based in Malaysia, is the Regional Water Knowledge Hub for Water and Climate Change Adaptation in South-east Asia <http://www.apwf-knowledge-hubs.net/>

European Environment Agency

Climate change and water adaptation issues

European countries suffer from a number of hazards – flooding and drought – which are predicted to continue even if greenhouse gas emissions decrease. This paper surveys current national policies and outlines supply- and demand-side measures to adapt, as well as pointing to the tools and frameworks at the European level that could provide the necessary region-wide leadership and coordination. www.eea.europa.eu/publications/technical_report_2007_2/eea_technical_report_2_2007.pdf