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Collective Global Climate Statement Released For Earth Day

April 21, 2017—Boston, MA—An international coalition of 33 meteorological and climate societies and institutions have released a Collective Global Climate Statement to coincide with Earth Day (<http://www.earthday.org/>) on 22nd April, which this year is focused on environmental and climate literacy.

The statement acknowledges the overwhelming scientific evidence that our planet is warming, largely due to emissions of greenhouse gases from human activities and calls for prompt, sustained, global, collaborative, evidence-based action to avoid the largest impacts of climate change.

It urges governments to fully and urgently implement the commitments made in Paris in 2015 to ensure the future global temperature increase is limited to well below 2°C above the pre-industrial levels, to pursue efforts to limit the increase to 1.5°C and to cut greenhouse gas emissions to net zero in the second half of this century.

The essential role of meteorological and climate services in developing effective tools and systems for use by decision makers is highlighted, and cooperation and collaboration across countries, business sectors, society, and science, including education, research and innovation, is emphasised.

The full statement can be found [here](#).

Full list of signatories

The Statement has been endorsed by:

1. American Meteorological Society
2. Associacao Portuguesa de Meteorologia e Geopisica
3. Associació Catalana de Meteorologia
4. Associazione Italiana di Scienze dell'Atmosfera e Meteorologia
5. Aviometeorological Club of Bulgaria
6. Canadian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society
7. Centro Argentino de Meteorólogos
8. Climate Change Services - Copernicus
9. Czech Meteorological Society
10. Dansk Meteorologisk Selskab
11. Deutsche Meteorologische Gesellschaft
12. Deutsches Klima-Konsortium
13. Dutch Meteorological Society
14. East Africa Meteorological Society
15. Ethiopian Meteorological Society
16. European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts
17. European Meteorological Society
18. Innovative Solutions for Instrumentation and Science
19. International Association of Broadcast Meteorologists
20. International Association of Meteorology and Atmospheric Sciences
21. International Forum of Meteorological Societies
22. Irish Meteorological Society
23. Italian Society for Climate Sciences
24. Magyar Meteorológiai Társaság
25. Météo et Climat
26. Meteorological Society of New Zealand
27. Royal Meteorological Society
28. Selex ES GmbH, a Leonardo company
29. Servei Meteorològic de Catalunya
30. Slovensko Meteorološko Društvo
31. Società Meteorologica Italiana
32. Svenska Meteorologiska Sällskapet
33. Unione Meteorologica del Friuli Venezia Giulia

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