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Climate Change – What it means for Mumbai and what we can do about it...

Climate change is changing the world we live in. Scientists agree that time is running out and action is urgently needed. This year the world's governments will meet to agree on a way forward at the Copenhagen Climate Summit. In a follow-up to a City Dialogue on climate change held in Mumbai in November 2007, we review where things are at in the city. What are the city authorities doing to prepare for what the UN Secretary General calls the 'defining challenge of our age'? How are citizens gearing up to address an issue that Sir David King calls 'a bigger threat than terrorism'?

If you care about Mumbai and its future, come and join us in a lively, action-oriented discussion on these issues.

Speakers will include Bittu Sahgal (*Sanctuary Asia*),
Subrat Ratho (Secretary, Department of Energy, Govt. of Maharashtra)
P.K. Das (Architect),

Rakesh Kumar (NEERI) and
Anjali Pandit (Editor, Sustainability for The Urban Vision),
Samir Menon (Nature First).

The event will be moderated by Malini Mehra (CSM).

VENUE: British Council, C-Wing, 2nd Floor Mittal Tower, Nariman Point, Mumbai – 400021

DATE: Wednesday, 18th March, 2009

TIME: 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

This is a free event but registration is required and will be on a first-come-first-serve basis. To reserve your place, please contact:

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BACKGROUND: In September 2007, CSM organized a well-attended City Dialogue on climate change in Mumbai, in partnership with the Asia Society and BNHS, as part of its 'Climate Challenge India' initiative. The event was filmed and broadcast nationally through Doordarshan and Lok Sabha TV. CSM is now returning to Mumbai to take stock of what has happened in the last eighteen months.

It has teamed up with Sanctuary and British Council to hold a citizens dialogue on what has happened and what needs to happen if Mumbai is to have a future in a climate-changed world.

Details on the Mumbai City Dialogue – including an event report – can be found at: www.csmworld.org

