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Objectives

The Swiss Global Change Day is an event where the whole global change community can meet and discuss ongoing problems in a transdisciplinary manner.

The aim is to present recent highlights in global environmental change research as well as to point out challenges for future research.

Besides there is the opportunity for people from governmental institutions, economy and politics to ask questions and explain their needs and views on the presented topics. Discussions with "provocators" will provide the corresponding frame.

Poster session and Travel awards

The event is also an opportunity to 'recycle' posters that have been presented at international meetings during the last year and to present them to the Swiss research community.

The best two posters in each of the three fields of WCRP, IGBP and IHDP* respectively will be selected by a jury. The authors (*students or post-docs*) of these posters will receive a travel award of 1000.- SFr. each, which will allow them to attend an international conference in the current year.

- * WCRP: World Climate Research Programme
- IGBP: International Geosphere Biosphere Programme
- IHDP: International Human Dimensions Programme on Global Environmental Change
- DIVERSITAS: International Programme on Biodiversity

The poster awards are sponsored by:

- CCA Commission for Climate and Atmosphere (SANW)
- IGBP Swiss Committee (SANW)
- IHDP Swiss Committee (SAGW)

Location

Freies Gymnasium, Beaulieustr. 55, Bern (take Bus no. 11 direction «Neufeld», 5th stop «Brückfeld», cross the street, it's the big red building in front. It takes ~15 min. from the station)

Programme

- 8.30 Coffee / preparation of posters
- 9.00 **Introduction**
Christian Körner, Basel
- 9.10 **From the Deep Ocean to the Upper Atmosphere – Evidence for Global Warming?**
Chris Folland, Bracknell (GB)
- 9.40 **Grappling with Climate Prediction**
Huw C. Davies, Zürich
- 10.10 **Discussion with 'Provocator'**
Thomas Stocker (Chair), Felix Würsten (NZZ) and speakers
- 10.30 Coffee break / posters
- 11.10 **Tradable Permits: Buying and Selling Clean Environment or Hot Air?**
Nives Dolsak, Bloomington (USA)
- 11.40 **Natural Disasters and the National Identity in Switzerland**
Christian Pfister, Bern
- 12.10 **Discussion with 'Provocator'**
Ingrid Kissling (Chair), Konrad Meyer (NGO) and speakers
- 12.30 Lunch / posters
- 14.15 **Surprise**
- 14.45 **Storing Carbon on Land: Buying or Wasting Time?**
Robert J. Scholes, Pretoria (South Africa)
- 15.15 **Do Trees Feel Global Change?**
Fritz H. Schweingruber, Birmensdorf
- 15.45 **Biodiversity and Global Change**
William D. Bowman, Colorado (USA)
- 16.15 **Discussion with 'Provocator'**
Rolf Siegwolf (Chair), Kathy Riklin (National Council) and speakers
- 16.35 **Poster awards**
- 16.45 Coffee / posters
- 17.15 End

Speakers

Christian Körner

Professor at the Institute of Botany at the University of Basel, member of the Scientific Steering Committee of the Global Change and Terrestrial Ecosystems program (GCTE) of IGBP, Chairman of the ProClim Steering Committee.
<http://www.unibas.ch/botschoen/koerner/1d.htm>.

Chris Folland

Head of Climate Variability Research Group of Hadley Centre for Climate Prediction and Research, Met Office, Bracknell. Co-ordinating Lead Author of IPCC third assessment report (Chapter on Observed Climate Variability and Change). Deputy Chairman of the CLIVAR-Commission on Climate Change Detection.

Huw C. Davies

Professor at the Institute for Atmospheric and Climate Science and Co-Chair of the Department of Environmental Sciences at ETH Zürich. <http://www.iac.ethz.ch/en/staff/main.html>.

Nives Dolsak

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Christian Pfister

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Robert J. Scholes

Fellow of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, Pretoria, South Africa. Natural Resources and Rural Development Programme, Division of Water, Environment and Forest Technology. Chair of the Global Terrestrial Observing System (GTOS).

Fritz H. Schweingruber

Professor for Landscape Dynamics and Management at the Swiss Federal Research Institute for Forest, Snow and Landscape, Birmensdorf.
http://www.wsl.ch/land/dynamics/dendro/FHS_pers_d.html#fhs.

William D. Bowman

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