



**CONFERENCE**  
**“Adapt or Surrender?”**  
**The Challenges of Climate Change for Humanitarian Action”**

**Date: 5 JUNE 2008**  
**UNI MAIL, ROOM 2160**

- 9:00 – 9:15 Welcome
- Session 1: Climate Change: challenges to our knowledge base? 09:15 – 10:30**
- 9:15 – 10:00 Why are human activities in part responsible for global warming? (speaker :**Prof. Martin Beniston**, Chair of Climate Research, University of Geneva)
- 10:00 – 10:30 Economics of climate change (speaker: **Mr Shane Tomlinson**, E3G, London)
- 10h30 – 11h00 Coffee break*
- Session 2: Climate Change: what are the challenges in the face of new threats ? 11:00 – 12:00**
- 11:00 – 11:30 Climate change, towards increasing insecurities? Key global hotspots (speaker: **Mr François Grünewald**, URD group)
- 11:30 – 12:00 Cities and Climate Change: From Diagnostic to Prognostic (speakers : **Prof Rémi Baudouï/ Dr Alexandre Hedjazi**, Environment Pole, University of Geneva)
- 12:00 – 14:00 *Lunch*
- 14:00 – 14:30 Resources of water, conflicts: tendency in the context of climate change (speaker : **Prof. Urs Luterbacher**, IHEID Geneva)
- 14:30 - 15:00 Adaptation strategies to climate change (speaker : **Dr. Don Nelson**, Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research)
- 15:00 – 15:30 Coffee break*
- Session 3 Climate Change: what challenges exist for Humanitarian Action? 15:30 – 18:00**
- 15:30 – 15:45 Introduction on the challenges of climate change for humanitarian organizations (speaker : **Mr Meinrad Studer**, Global Humanitarian Forum)
- 15:45 – 17:30 Panel Discussion: what Challenges exist for Humanitarian Organizations? (Invited Organizations : ICRC, OCHA, UNICEF, Provention Consortium, UNEP, MSF, TBC). Moderator : Mr Meinrad Studer (GHF-GE)
- 17:30 – 17:45 Conclusions
- 18:00 Drinks