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#### Introduction



- The Climate Decision Makers Survey is unique. It tracks the views of professionals who are in a position to make or influence large decisions regarding climate change in their organizations and society. It provides an essential ground-up view of the barriers and opportunities facing global society's response to climate change.
- The survey is the second of a multi-year initiative by GlobeScan, supported by an association of organizations in the public and private sector working on climate related matters. These include UNEP, the World Bank, IUCN, IDRC, WBCSD, ICLEI Local Governments for Sustainability, the World Energy Council, and The Centre. The results of these studies will be broadly publicized to help guide climate change decision making in all sectors.
- This report analyzes the findings from the second wave of research conducted from November 10, 2008, to December 1, 2008.

#### Notes to Readers

- Unless otherwise noted, all figures in charts are percentages.
- Total percentages may not add to 100 because of rounding.
- In the case of bar charts, white space typically represents the portion of experts who either answered "do not know" or did not answer at all (i.e., DK/NA).



#### **Description of Respondents Surveyed**



- Expert networks of partner organizations and individuals hand-picked for their expertise were invited to participate in this second wave survey on climate change solutions.
- In total, 993 qualified climate change decision makers completed the survey by the closing date of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009.
- The findings in this report represent the views of senior officials in government, business leaders, scientists/academics, and civil society leaders spread across more than 100 countries. The following table and slides illustrate the composition of respondents by sector and geographical location.
- In addition to having global and sectoral representation, 69 percent of respondents have been working in fields related to climate change solutions or sustainable development for at least six years.
- In terms of their role in their organizations, 47 percent indicate they are in a senior role, with a further 23 percent holding middle level positions; 49 percent identify themselves as solution influencers, 22 percent as planners/developers, 8 percent as decision implementers, and 11 percent as decision makers.





#### By Sector and Region, 2008

	Institutional	Multilateral	Government	NGO	Private Sector	Media	Total
Europe	12	2	9	8	13	1	44
North America	6	1	6	6	8	1	27
Asia	2	1	2	2	2	0	8
Africa	2	1	2	1	1	0	7
Latin America and the Caribbean	2	*	2	2	1	0	7
Oceania (incl. Australia and New Zealand)	1	*	2	*	2	0	5
Other	1	*	*	*	*	0	2
Total	26	5	22	18	28	1	100
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\*Less than one percent

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#### By Sector, 2008







#### By Region, 2008







By Job Level, Role in Climate Decisions, and Years Experience, 2008





# **Executive Summary**



#### **Executive Summary**



- This latest Survey of Climate Change Decision Makers foretells a challenging environment for progress on climate change over the next five years. There is little consensus among experts on what the best solutions to climate change are, and they identify many obstacles.
- There is a significant level of pessimism about the impact that the economic crisis will have on climate efforts. Furthermore, decision makers believe that more political and regulatory clarity is needed for investment to attain an adequate level.
- Still, experts strongly believe that pro-climate action and economic growth and recovery are, or at least can be, synergistic or complimentary. The challenge, then, is how to move from from the status quo, where economic problems hinder investment in climate-friendly solutions, to the desired state, where economic growth economic recovery reinforce each other.
- Experts need bigger budgets to address climate change. But they believe funding won't be made available until more certainty is achieved on the policy and regulatory side. The 2009 COP in Copenhagen, and how individual states implement its outcomes, must provide that clarity. Given the world's current focus on the economy, nuclear threats, failed states and other high priority issues, securing the strong deal that decision makers say is needed may be difficult.
- Experts believe that carbon emissions must carry significantly higher costs. Different options exist for pricing carbon, with experts favoring carbon taxation and trading systems to varying degrees. However, the political support required for such high carbon prices may take considerable time to achieve, or a catastrophe.





- Those with the most power to take action—governments of large countries—are thought by experts to have the worst performance record on climate change decision making. Those with the least power are seen as the most effective. The most powerful actors need good political reasons to make climate friendly decisions. Further pressure from businesses and consumers appears to be required.
- Even though society has focused on energy efficiency the longest compared with other approaches to emissions management, experts believe that a great deal of opportunity remains in this area. Most solution providers say they will continue to focus here. Given the slow rate of progress achieved to date, the survey results raise the question of what should be done differently going forward.
- The survey results suggest that considerable business opportunities exist for providers of clean(er) technologies, especially energy technologies.
- Solar and wind are viewed to have more climate-friendly potential than nuclear energy, biofuels and large scale hydro, as well as carbon capture and storage, but the latter group appears to be attracting significant investment. Experts do believe that each of these energy sources has some role to play.
- Among adaptation measures, solution providers prioritize fresh water management and enhanced food security, but also new policy-making approaches that holistically integrate climate change considerations into all types of types of policy and development decision making. Perhaps this is the step change that is required to make significant progress on society's adaptive capacity.



# **Detailed Findings**





# **Climate Change Economics**



#### **Climate Change Economics**



Climate change action should not and need not be sacrificed to economic recovery

- Given the ongoing debate and international negotiations aimed at concretizing future climate change strategies, decision makers remain certain that there exists little consensus, globally, on what are the best solutions to climate change.
- Given current global economic conditions, it is not surprising that a plurality of four in ten decision makers believes that the current economic crisis will significantly compromise the achievement of effective climate change agreements. In fact, one in ten respondents point to the financial crisis as being the greatest barrier to success at COP14 in Poznan.
- That said, decision makers are optimistic about the economy and combating climate change, with three-quarters believing equitable economic development and significant progress in combating climate change can be achieved simultaneously. While some see the financial crisis as a time to cut climate budgets, others see it as an opportunity to capitalize on new technologies and innovation.
- A separate GlobeScan survey of the general public—23,000 adults in 23 countries—further illustrates widespread support for addressing climate change even in these hard economic times: four in ten people across the world do not see an imminent threat to their national economy if climate change emissions are reduced.



#### **Consensus within Influential Circles on Best Solutions to Climate Change**



2007-2008



The white space in this chart represents "DK/NA."

Q1t. How much consensus do you think there is within the most influential circles globally on what are the best solutions to climate change?



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#### **Consensus within Influential Circles on Best Solutions to Climate Change**



#### "Strong Consensus (4+5)," by Sector and Region



Q1t. How much consensus do you think there is within the most influential circles globally on what are the best solutions to climate change?

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#### Current Economic Crisis Will Significantly Delay/Compromise Achievement of Effective Climate Change Agreements



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21. Please indicate to what extent you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:

c. The current economic crisis will significantly delay or compromise the achievement of effective climate change agreements.



**Current Economic Crisis Will Significantly Delay/Compromise Achievement of Effective Climate Change Agreements** 



By Region, 2008



21. Please indicate to what extent you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:

c. The current economic crisis will significantly delay or compromise the achievement of effective climate change agreements.



Equitable Economic Development and Significant Progress in Combating Climate Change Can Be Achieved Simultaneously

2008



21. Please indicate to what extent you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:

e. Equitable economic development and significant progress in combating climate change can be achieved at the same time.



Equitable Economic Development and Significant Progress in Combating Climate Change Can Be Achieved Simultaneously

By Region, 2008



21. Please indicate to what extent you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:

e. Equitable economic development and significant progress in combating climate change can be achieved at the same time.



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### National Economy Will Be Damaged If Climate Changing Emissions Reduced

Average of 15 Tracking Countries, 2007–2008



The white space in this chart represents "Depends / Neither agree nor disagree" and "DK/NA."

CC6. For each of the following statements, please tell me if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree.



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#### **The Price of Carbon**



The price of carbon should increase threefold in order for climate-friendly decisions to be made

- As many as 6 percent of respondents point to the low cost of carbon as reasons for making less-climate friendly decisions. At the time the survey was fielded, the cost of carbon was €15 or \$19 USD per tonne. According to respondents this figure will have to nearly triple to \$53 USD for more climate-friendly decisions to be made within their organization.
- In fact, removing subsidies that promote high-carbon activities is one of the top-rated factors decision makers see as a high priority over the next two years.
- Public policy development and carbon taxing are also seen as key factors requiring attention.



# Price of Carbon at Which Majority of Decisions within Organization Will Become Climate-Friendly

Mean US Dollars,\* by Region, 2008



\*All currency is in US Dollars. Responses in Euros have converted to US Dollars

6. At what price of carbon do you think a majority of the decisions made within organizations like the one you are primarily associated with would become climate friendly?





Mean US Dollars and Mean Euros, Private Sector vs Government



\*Combined currency is in US Dollars. Responses in Euros have converted to US Dollars

6. At what price of carbon do you think a majority of the decisions made within organizations like the one you are primarily associated with would become climate friendly?



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#### **Priorities for Unlocking Financing for Climate Solutions**



#### Unprompted, Combined Mentions, 2008

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8a. What actions do you think need to be the biggest priorities in order to unlock the financing that is required to put in place climate adaptation and mitigation solutions at the scale that you think is required?

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#### Prioritizing Factors Contributing to Climate Change Solutions – Policy



"High Priority (4+5)" Over Next Two Years, 2008



6tm. Many different things can contribute to climate solutions. For each of the following, please indicate how significant a priority you think it should be given over the next two years in order to advance appropriate climate solutions (including mitigation and adaptation).



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# **Organizational Decision Making**



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International policies and agreements are required to free up climate budgets

- In the organizations where the survey participants work, one-third to two-fifths of decisions with direct implications for greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions are made using solutions that are not climate-friendly, even though climate-friendly options exist. The numbers are slightly less climate friendly in government than in private sector organizations.
- While climate decision makers and the general public agree that climate change can be addressed even in time of economic uncertainty, decision makers largely blame cost constraints as the main reason why less-climate friendly solutions are decided on. In this same basket, inadequate policies and lack of climate-friendly options are also noted as reasons for using less climate-friendly solutions.
- While lack of budget is given as the reason why climate-friendly decisions are not made within organizations, increasing the availability of financial investment is considered a lessurgent priority in advancing climate solutions. Instead, decision makers indicate that international agreements, policies, targets, and participation are needed to unlock the financing needed for climate solutions. Leadership and political willingness are also top priorities for unlocking financing for climate solutions.



#### Percentage of Decisions Made within Organization Favoring Less Climate-Friendly Solutions Over Alternatives



Mean Percentage, Private Sector vs Government



4. (New) Within the organization you are primarily associated with, what percentage of decisions that have significant implications for greenhouse gas emissions are made using less climate-friendly solutions when more climate friendly options exist?



#### **Reasons Why Less Climate Friendly Decisions are Made within Organization**





5. What are the two most important reasons that less climate friendly decisions are made when more climate friendly options exist within the organization you are primarily associated with?





# **Adaptation and Mitigation**



#### **Adaptation and Mitigation**



#### Emphasize national climate budgets on mitigation over adaptation

- Global society's response to climate change, through both mitigation and adaptation, is largely rated as poor. Similar to 2007, progress on adaptive measures is rated as poor by three-quarters of respondents, with the same proportion rating mitigation progress as poor, actually worsening from 2007.
- While preliminary frameworks, such as GLOBE's Tokyo Framework, call for equal emphasis on adaptation and mitigation, decision makers would rather their country's climate change budgets to be split nearly 60:40, with stronger focus on mitigating climate change. However, those in developed regions tend to place more emphasis on mitigating climate change, whereas those from developing regions tend to prefer focus more on adaptive measures





Decision makers predict their organizations will focus most of their climate change efforts on energy demand management and efficiency gains.

- Of their organization's own climate mitigation efforts, respondents predict that half of the efforts will be in the area of energy demand management and efficiency. Specifically regarding improved demand management in their organization, one-third of solution providers believe that conservation practices through workplace improvements are the most important actionable area. Advocacy and promoting awareness, and reduced business travel are named as the next most important actions to improve energy efficiency.
- After energy efficiency and demand management, the remaining proportion of mitigation efforts within respondents' organizations is split between lower-carbon energy sources (36%) and carbon capture (14%).



#### **Progress on Global Society's Response to Climate Change**



#### "Poor (1+2)," 2007–2008

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16t. Thinking of the past year, how do you rate progress on global society's response to climate change?



#### **Preferred Allocation of Country's Climate Change Budget**



Mean Percentages, Mitigation vs Adaptation, 2008



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#### Allocation of National Climate Change Budget



Mean Percentages, 2008



8b. What proportion of your country's climate change budget do you think shouldbe used for adaptation and mitigation initiatives respectively?



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#### **Predicted Distribution of Efforts across Climate Change Mitigation Approaches**



Mean Percentages, Over Next Ten Years, 2007–2008



12t. Over the next ten years in your organization or sector, what percentage contribution do you expect from each of the following overall approaches for reducing the levels of climate changing gases in the atmosphere?



#### **Most Important Action to Improve Energy Efficiency and Demand Management**



#### Unprompted, 2008



13. (New) What is the single most effective thing you and the organization you are primarily associated
 with could do over the next three years to improve energy efficiency and demand management?



#### **Focus on Energy Efficiency**

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#### Energy efficiency is the "low-hanging fruit"

- While the world waits for an international agreement on the next steps to address climate change, solution providers believe that energy efficiency and conservation is the "low-hanging fruit." Energy sustainability and conservation stand out among climate decision makers, ahead of reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions through taxes, caps, and targets, as requiring the most urgent consensus in the realm of climate solutions and negotiations. Decision makers have been most successful at addressing climate change by improving energy efficiency and conservation practices within their organizations.
- That said, nearly eight in ten respondents rate focusing on available energy efficiency gains as high priority over the next two years, at the top of a list of 17 factors that impact climate change solutions. Similarly, three-quarters think advancing research and development of new technology is a key priority over the next couple of years.



#### **Subjects Requiring Urgent Consensus to Advance Climate Change Solutions**



#### Unprompted, 2007–2008



2t. What major area or topic is in the most urgent need of consensus or agreement today in order to advance climate solutions overall?



#### Prioritizing Factors Contributing to Climate Change Solutions – Technology



"High Priority (4+5)" Over Next Two Years, 2008



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6tm. Many different things can contribute to climate solutions. For each of the following, please indicate how significant a priority you think it should be given over the next two years in order to advance appropriate climate solutions (including mitigation and adaptation).



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#### Most Effective Actions Taken by Organization to Address Climate Change

#### Unprompted, 2008



3. Please describe what you think has been the single most effective action that the organization you are primarily associated with has taken in the past five years to help mitigate or adapt to climate change.



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#### Most Effective Actions Taken by Organization to Address Climate Change



#### Unprompted, by Sector, 2008

	Total	Institutional	Multilateral	Government	NGO	Private sector
Improve energy efficiency / conservation / green initiatives	23	19	11	23	17	33
Awareness raising / education / advocacy	18	17	25	17	25	11
Adopt new strategies/ policies/targets	15	9	21	23	18	13
Research / knowledge sharing	12	23	8	11	9	6
Financial support / funding	5	3	15	5	4	7
Habitat/ecosystem protection	5	3	6	5	14	3
Participating in global initiatives/programs	3	2	0	5	5	2
Improving/new technology	1	0	2	0	1	3
None	11	15	8	5	5	18
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3. Please describe what you think has been the single most effective action that the organization you are primarily associated with has taken in the past five years to help



44 mitigate or adapt to climate change.



Decision makers call for a multi-dimensional approach to emissions reductions via energy conservation, renewables, CCS, and nuclear power, among others.

- Given a list of 20 energy technologies, respondents almost unanimously agree that energy conservation and efficiency technology has the greatest potential to lower atmospheric carbon levels over the next 25 years.
- Predicting that approximately one-third of their organizations' efforts will be directed toward lower-carbon energy sources, decision-makers expect solar and wind power to have the greatest potential to lower atmospheric carbon levels over the next 25 years. Echoing this, a GlobeScan study of adults in 23 countries determined that the general public significantly agrees that the world should depend a great deal on solar and wind energy going forward, and less on nuclear power, bio-fuels, and clean coal.
- Specifically regarding carbon capture and storage (CCS), about one-third of those surveyed think both new build and retrofitting existing coal plants will be successful over the next 25 years. Decision makers mainly fear that committing to CCS will discourage innovation and investment in other technologies and renewables; however, they believe it can be implemented on a broad scale without harming the economy. That said, a multi-dimensional approach including CCS, renewable energy, nuclear power, and energy conservation technologies will provide a practical and successful approach for mitigating climate change.



# Rating Energy Technologies' Potential to Lower Atmospheric Carbon Levels



#### "High Potential (4+5)," Over Next 25 Years, 2007–2008 – Part 1



14.1t. Please rate each of the following energy technologies in terms of its potential role over the next 25 years in lowering overall carbon levels in the atmosphere without unacceptable side effects.

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# Rating Energy Technologies' Potential to Lower Atmospheric Carbon Levels



#### "High Potential (4+5)," Over Next 25 Years, 2007–2008 – Part 2



14.1t. Please rate each of the following energy technologies in terms of its potential role over the next 25 years in lowering overall carbon levels in the atmosphere without unacceptable side effects.

\*New attribute wording. In 2007, wording was "Clean coal technology (new build)."

\*\*New attribute wording. In 2007, wording was: Clean coal technology (retrofit of existing coal-fired power plants)."



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#### How Much We Should Depend on Various Energy Sources to Prevent Climate Change

Average of 22 Countries\*



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\*Not asked in France and Poland Asked of half of sample

CC3A. Please tell me how much society should depend on each of the following in the future to produce energy to prevent climate change.



#### **Opinions on Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS)**

#### 2008



15. In some jurisdictions, carbon capture and storage (CCS) may be a way to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from coal-fired power plants. Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements using a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means "strongly disagree" and 5 means "strongly agree."



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#### Adaptation



- Organizations need more support from government and politicians, as well as from consumers, and funding if they are to adequately implement adaptation strategies. However, municipal and state governments are especially regarded as ineffective in this area, with two-thirds of respondents rating them as ineffective at developing, communicating, or promoting climate change adaptation solutions. UN agencies, national governments, and the World Bank also receive more negative than positive ratings in this area.
- Scientists and academics, and NGOs are the only groups that are rated as effectively
  addressing climate adaptation solutions, though decision makers' confidence even in these
  institutions is modest. Echoing this, the general public in 21 countries think scientists and
  NGOs are doing their share of addressing climate change and rank scientists and NGOs
  ahead of international bodies like the World Bank, national governments, and companies (both
  global and local). As the climate debate intensifies and future strategies are developed, the
  results of both studies suggest that credibility and ability to perform lies with the scientific
  community and NGOs. Thus, the opinions of these groups should be considered in any future
  negotiations as they are the most trusted by climate change solution providers and the general
  public alike. This may be because practitioners believe that society's adaptation efforts are still
  largely in the research and development phase, rather than the implementation phase.



#### **Resources Required to Implement Climate Adaptation Strategies**





9tm. Please rate each of the following in terms of how much more of them you and your colleagues require in order to implement climate adaptation solutions (including policies, plans and investments).



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#### Performance Ratings on Addressing Climate Change

Average of 21 Countries\*



\*Not asked in Brazil, France, and Poland

\*\*Average of 20 countries, not including United States

\*\*\*Average of 20 countries, not including China

Asked of half of sample

The white space in this chart represents "Neutral (3)" and "DK/NA."



#### **Organizational Performance in Developing, Communicating, or Promoting Climate Adaptation Solutions**



"Effective (4+5)," 2008



17t. Please rate the performance of the following organizations in developing, communicating or promoting climate change adaptation solutions. Please use a five-point scale where 1 is "very ineffective" and 5 is "very effective."



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#### **Adaptation – Focus on Water, Food, and Health**



Climate impacts on water and food, both quality and security, are seen to require the most attention – especially in developing nations.

- The most important adaptation measure needed is improving fresh water management techniques for dry environments. In second place is requiring governments to consider climate change implications in policy development. But note that a wide range of measures are given a high priority by over half the survey participants, indicating that it is not a matter of selecting just one or two.
- In the context of impact on human health, the high priority given to water management is confirmed: water availability and quality is rated as the most important way in which human health may be affected, followed by the quality and security of food.
- Improving knowledge of human health vulnerabilities is given a lower priority than other adaptation measures at the global level. But respondents in developing regions, such as Africa and Asia, tend to consider it to be more important.
- People in developing regions are also more inclined than those in the developed world to think improving measures against the health effects of climate, such as food quality and security, extreme weather, and water availability and quality, are important.



#### Priority of Measures for Adapting to the Effects of Climate Change

#### "High Priority (4+5)," 2008



10. Please rate the level of priority that you think should be given to each of the following adaptive measures. Please use a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means "no priority" and 5 means "very high priority."



#### Importance of Improving Measures to Protect Human Health from the Effects of Climate Change through Various Sectors



"Important (4+5)," 2008



11. Please rate the relative importance to you and your colleagues of improving protective measuresagainst each of the following pathways through which climate change may affect human health.



Importance of Improving Measures to Protect Food Quality/Security to Prevent Human Health Effects of Climate Change

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11. Please rate the relative importance to you and your colleagues of improving protective measures against each of the following pathways through which climate change may affect human health.



57 a. Food (including nutritional quality and food security)

#### Importance of Improving Protection of Water Availability/Quality to Prevent Human Health Effects of Climate Change

#### By Region, 2008



11. Please rate the relative importance to you and your colleagues of improving protective measures against each of the following pathways through which climate change may affect human health.

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Importance of Improving Measures against Extreme Weather to Prevent Human Health Effects of Climate Change

By Region, 2008



11. Please rate the relative importance to you and your colleagues of improving protective measures against each of the following pathways through which climate change may affect human health.



59 c. Extreme weather events such as droughts and storms



# **Focus on Biodiversity**



#### **Focus on Biodiversity**



From a biodiversity perspective, addressing deforestation and the conservation of ecosystems and habitats are named as the top priorities for advancing climate change solutions.

- Pricing mechanisms and investing in renewables and alternatives are also considered priorities.
- Increasing investment in natural ecosystems and creating market mechanisms that preserve biodiversity are rated as high priority factors for climate solutions over the next two years.
- It will be seen in the following slides that addressing biodiversity and ecosystem conservation are among the key components of any post-2012 international agreements on climate change solutions. Decision makers strongly believe that enforceable agreements aimed at limiting deforestation and protecting biodiversity are essential.



#### Prioritizing Factors Contributing to Climate Change Solutions – Biodiversity



"High Priority (4+5)" Over Next Two Years, 2008



6tm. Many different things can contribute to climate solutions. For each of the following, please indicate how significant a priority you think it should be given over the next two years in order to advance appropriate climate solutions (including mitigation and adaptation):



#### **Top Biodiversity Priorities for Addressing Climate Change**

#### Unprompted, Combined Mentions, 2008



	Reduce deforestation/afforestation			
	Conservation/protection of habitats/ecosystems/biodiversity			
	Valuation / pricing mechanisms / paying for ecosystem services			
	Promote/invest in alternatives / R&D			
-	Agriculture/environment issues			
-	Enforce laws / strengthen legislation			
-	Advocacy / increase awareness and education			
-	Establish/implement carbon taxes/caps/regulations			
-	More research/data			
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	Establish international agreements/policies/targets			
	Economic development / alleviate poverty			
	Population stabilization / control human population growth			
3	Increase support between countries / technology transfer			
3	Mitigation and adaptation strategies			
3	Offer incentives (e.g. tax credits, financial support)			
1	Create/promote a single body to lead			

Eliminate/redirect carbon subsidies/incentives



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# **International Climate Negotiations**



#### **International Climate Negotiations**



Decision makers call for a strong agreement, with measurable and enforceable targets, that is fair to all nations and not proscriptive to specific regions or industries.

- Prior to COP14 in December 2008, solution providers defined success as gaining commitment from major emitters and reaching a global agreement on CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. National conflicts of interest and non-participation or non-commitment of major emitters and other leaders were seen as the most likely barriers to progress.
- International diplomacy on a post-Kyoto agreement is seen as essential if climate solutions are to be advanced, and addressing this is considered to be a critical issue over the next two years by two-thirds of respondents.
- As part of an adequate and workable post-2012 agreement, decision makers believe it is essential to include all major carbon-emitting countries in the agreement and less critical that all countries in the world be included in the agreement.
- In order for the agreement to be successful, solution providers consider that wealthy countries must provide aid or suitable technology to developing countries to help them manage and reduce their impact on the climate. The agreement must also be fair to countries, with commitments based on each nation's stage of development.
- There is modest support among decision makers for governments of developed countries to commit to "medium term" emissions targets as part of an international agreement, with similar support for a more long-term target that calls for a reduction of emissions by 80% of 1990 levels by 2050. However, decision makers make it clear that committing to long-term targets without short-term reduction commitments will be considered a failure.



#### **International Climate Negotiations**



- Respondents call for a strong agreement with measureable and enforceable targets. They do not agree that it is better to agree on a weak post-2012 climate treaty than to achieve no agreement at all.
- There is strong support for the use of GLOBE's Tokyo Framework as a starting point for negotiations that will take place at COP15 in Copenhagen. The agreement calls for a measured long-term stabilization goal, commitments based on stages of development, and strategies for reducing deforestation and protecting biodiversity. Many of GLOBE's components are deemed essential to a successful post-2012 international agreement by the decision-makers surveyed.





#### **Defining Success at COP14**

#### Unprompted, 2008



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#### **Greatest Barrier to Success at COP14**

#### Unprompted, 2008



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#### **Prioritizing Factors Contributing to Climate Change Solutions – Actors**



"High Priority (4+5)" over Next Two Years, 2008



6tm. Many different things can contribute to climate solutions. For each of the following, please indicate how significant a priority you think it should be given over the next two years in order to advance appropriate climate solutions (including mitigation and adaptation).



#### **Components of a Post-2012 International Agreement**

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#### "Essential (4+5)," 2008



20t. Please rate each of the following possible components of an international agreement for the post-2012 period in terms of how essential each is for an adequate and workable agreement.



**Components of a Post-2012 International Agreement: Commitments Based on Different Stages of Development** 



By Region, 2008



20t. Please rate each of the following possible components of an international agreement for the post-2012 period in terms of how essential each is for an adequate and workable agreement.



a. Different types of commitments based on countries' stage of development

#### **Components of a Post-2012 International Agreement: Wealthy Countries to Provide Aid/Technology to Poor Countries**



By Region, 2008



20t. Please rate each of the following possible components of an international agreement for the post-2012 period in terms of how essential each is for an adequate and workable agreement.

d. Commitment of wealthy countries to provide aid and technology transfer to assist developing
 countries to meet their targets



#### **Components of a Post-2012 International Agreement: "Adaptation Fund" to Be Available by the End of COP14**



By Region, 2008

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20t. Please rate each of the following possible components of an international agreement for the post-2012 period in terms of how essential each is for an adequate and workable agreement.

a. A climate change "adaptation fund" to be up and running by the end of the Poznan session to help poor countries cope



**Components of a Post-2012 International Agreement: Governments of Developed Countries Commit to Prepare "Medium-Term" Emission Reduction Targets** 



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k. Developed world governments commit to begin preparing "medium-term" emission reduction targets to help them progress toward a 50% reduction goal



**Components of a Post-2012 International Agreement: An Enforceable Agreement to Limit Deforestation and Protect Biodiversity** 

#### By Region, 2008



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75 m. An enforceable agreement to limit deforestation and protect biodiversity

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