

## New York: UN Summit on Climate Change

Nearly 100 world leaders have accepted UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon's invitation to participate in an historic Summit on Climate Change in New York on 22 September to mobilize political will and strengthen momentum for a fair, effective, and ambitious climate deal in Copenhagen this December.

"Failure to reach broad agreement in Copenhagen would be morally inexcusable, economically short-sighted and politically unwise," the Secretary-General said in his opening address. "Now is the moment to act in common cause."

The Summit marks the first UN visit for the Presidents of China and the United States as well as the newly elected Prime Minister of Japan. .

The website:

<http://www.un.org/wcm/content/site/climatechange/lang/en/pages/2009summit>

The speeches:

<http://www.un.org/wcm/content/site/climatechange/programme>

UN Meeting Coverage:

<http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2009/envdev1069.doc.htm>

