

The latest issue of the Bulletin of the World Health Organization (WHO) features an interview with oceanographer and geologist Colin Summerhayes (president of the Society for Underwater Technology and an emeritus associate of the Scott Polar Research Institute at the University of Cambridge, UK) titled "Climate change: a creeping catastrophe," which explores the expected consequences of climate change on human health.

In the interview, Summerhayes explains the difference between weather and climate forecasts, and discusses climate change impacts on water supplies, mortality and disease rates, and oceans and fishermen's livelihoods. He recommends "planning for prevention," encouraging improved development, good sanitation and supplies of clean water, and moving to low-carbon economies. He also notes with concern a disconnection between meteorological and health care agencies.

The interview:

<http://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/88/6/10-040610/en/index.html>

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