



Resolution of Bolzano

CIPRA, the International Commission for the Protection of the Alps, is an organisation representing over 100 NGOs active in environmental protection in all the countries concerned by the International Convention for the Protection of the Alps. Considering the fact that the Alps and mountainous regions in general are particularly subject to climate change, the effects of which constitute a dangerous threat to inhabitant safety, biodiversity, tourist economy and landscape, CIPRA assembled many of its members and partners at an international conference on climate policies in Bolzano/I.

During this conference CIPRA expressed its strong expectations with regard to the outcome of the 15th Conference of the Contracting Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, to be held in Copenhagen in December 2009.

Further more, CIPRA calls upon the governments of the Alpine countries and upon those of the main industrialised countries, to show extraordinary commitment to achieve a distinct acceleration in climate change prevention policies at the global meeting in Copenhagen, in the light of new evidence and the confirmation of the seriousness of the phenomenon.

Moreover, it trusts that Alpine state and regional policies:

- will support investments made by citizens, businesses and local institutions towards energy efficient buildings and the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions in the transport sector;
- will concentrate resources in the energy production sector from renewable sources, as well as in the relevant research and technological development sector, in order to fulfil and exceed the emission reduction objectives imposed by the international climate agreements in force;
- will, on the contrary, avoid wasting economic resources, by implementing plans that increase and relaunch energy production from fossil and/or nuclear sources;
- will support, in all initiatives and international offices, binding objectives for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions on a global level.

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