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MOPIA Present at Montreal Protocol held in Kenya



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MOPIA participated at the 35th Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol Meeting held in Nairobi, Kenya in late October.

Some 27 decisions were adopted and attention was raised regarding the harmful effects of PFAS (forever) chemicals used in various refrigerants. MOPIA's booth was a popular venue for delegates to learn about our expertise. See decisions et al at:

<https://ozone.unep.org/montreal-protocol-delegates-replenish-multilateral-fund-and-address-emerging-challenges>



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Auditor says Canada Failing to Meet International Targets



<https://www.bloomberg.com/opinion/articles/2023-01-24/oil-refining-margins-are-so-undling-the-alarm-again?embedded-checkout=true>

Canada's Commissioner of the Environment and Sustainable Developments latest Audit has determined that Canada is on track to miss its 2030 climate targets. In 2022, Canada released its 2030 emissions reduction plan to reduce emission levels by 40% compared to 2005. These emission levels were targeted in an effort to reach Canada's goals to reach net zero by 2050. Canada has committed to the Paris Agreement and to keeping global warming below 2°C.

The Audit explains that achieving Canada's climate goals is still possible but requires major changes in the current approach. The commissioner has expressed that Canada's environment minister must be given more power to make decisions, as opposed to authority of environmental matters being divided across many jurisdictions. Another change highlighted was the need to stop yielding to oil and gas lobbyists and subsidies, and implement an emissions cap for the petroleum industry.

For more information and the Report see: <https://thenarwhal.ca/pathways-alliance-emissions-cap/>

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UNEP's Gap Reports Released



The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) is releasing new climate 'Gap' reports that fall under their international Sustainable Development Goals. These 'Gap' reports provide a scientific foundation for stakeholders and other parties who are working together to meet the Paris Agreement goals. On November 2, 2023 they released the Adaptation Gap Report. It was made to evaluate how prepared the world is for climate change impacts, to guide policymakers, and to drive global adaptation efforts. A week later on Nov. 8th, they issued the Production Gap Report. This report tracks the discrepancy between the planned fossil fuel production and the levels needed to limit global warming. It also informs policymakers and the public about the need to reduce fossil fuel production. The third report will be issued Nov. 20th titled the Emission Gap Report, which assesses the gap between national pledges and the emission reductions required to limit global warming. One of the goals would include keeping the global temperature rise below 2°C by the end of this century. The work produced provides trusted, timely data that informs global greenhouse gas reduction strategies.

For more information: www.unep.org/news-and-stories/story/what-are-uneps-climate-related-gap-reports-and-why-do-they-matter

Manitoba Government Commits to Heat Pumps



Mark Miller meeting with Wab Kinew, 2023

Manitoba's newly elected Premier, Wab Kinew, began the process of aiding in the reduction of fossil fuel usage and is aiming for the installation of 5,000 new heat pumps.

From their ambitious environmental pledges, the new NDP government's plan is to eliminate Manitoba Hydro from fossil fuels by 2035 and make the entire province carbon neutral by 2050. The new government is still working out the fine details of their plan. Manitoba aims to succeed in energy efficiency with geothermal and heat pump incentives. As the carbon tax increases the cost of natural gas, homeowners may be tempted by the rebates offered on these clean technologies. Many of MOPIA's stakeholders are licensed geothermal installers that will be increasingly busy in the months to come installing units.

For more information:

<https://winnipeg.citynews.ca/2023/11/07/manitoba-geothermal-heat-pump/s/#:~:text=Last%20Updated%20November%207%2C%202023,to%20operate%20in%20colder%20weather.>

