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UN Climate Change Secretariat briefing on the expected outcomes of the UN Climate Change Conference in Montreal + presentation of Key Greenhouse Gas Data, 2005

This year, the United Nations Climate Change Conference will be held from 28 November to 9 December in Montreal, Canada. The Climate Change Secretariat based in Bonn, Germany would like to invite interested journalists to attend a background briefing on the issues to be discussed and negotiated at the conference and its expected outcomes.

The conference is an historic event. Not only will the parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) be meeting for the 11th time, 2005 also marks the entry into force of the Kyoto Protocol. At Montreal, the first ever meeting of the Parties to the Protocol (MOP) will be held parallel to the Conference of the Parties to the Convention (COP). The United Nations Climate Change Conference is set to be the largest intergovernmental climate conference since the Kyoto Protocol was adopted in 1997. Some 8,000–10,000 participants are expected.

Now that pan-European emissions trading has begun and the Clean Development Mechanism, as a tool to promote sustainable development and combat climate change, is operational, the conference is also attracting unprecedented business interest.

In addition to this, the secretariat will present its new publication – Key Greenhouse Gas Data, 2005.

Date and time: 17 November 2005, 11:00 a.m.
Location: Deutsche Welle (Gremiensaal)

Kurt-Schumacher-Strasse 3 53113 Bonn, Germany

Those journalists who cannot follow the conference on site will be able to watch it via webcast at http://unfccc.inthttp://unfccc.int<

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