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Climate change makes headline news in SHS Views N° 19

Following a trend of continuous evolution, the issue N° 19 of the quarterly magazine of UNESCO's Social and Human Sciences Sector has just been published.

The communication team of SHS would like to take this opportunity to wish you a happy, healthy and prosperous 2008.

- **2008 - Year of Planet Earth: Mobilizing societies to adapt to climate change**

The UNESCO strategy to address the challenges of climate change, presented at the end of 2007, is designed to help Member States to adapt to change by developing scientific knowledge as well as making technical and political choices informed by ethical values. [More ...](#) [PDF]

- **Interview with Koïchiro Matsuura: "Social and Human Sciences play an indispensable role"**

As the world commemorates the 60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Director-General of UNESCO stresses the crucial role that the Organization has played and will continue to play in the promotion of the principles enshrined in the Declaration. He also clarifies the role of the social and human sciences in the new medium-term strategy of the Organization, particularly in respect to dealing with the ethical and social dimensions of such global trends as globalization and climate change. [More ...](#) [PDF]

- **Dossier: Social and Human Sciences within National Commissions for UNESCO: Focus on the Philippines**

The first in the series of dossiers that SHS Views will dedicate to social and human science activities within UNESCO's National Commissions, this dossier explores the case of the **Philippines** ...[More ...](#) [PDF]

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