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# The Macroeconomics of Climate Change

The IMF Middle East Regional Technical Assistance Center (METAC), and the IMF Institute for Capacity Development (ICD) are organizing a webinar on “The Macroeconomics of Climate Change”.

**DATE:** January 16, 2024

**TIME:** 3:00 p.m.– 4:00 p.m., Beirut time. (See time in your city [HERE](#))

**LANGUAGE:** English with simultaneous interpretation to Arabic and French

**PRESENTERS:** Chen Chen, Senior Economist at the IMF Institute for Capacity Development and Hasan Dudu, Economist at the IMF’s Middle East and Central Asia Department.

**REGISTER:** [https://imf.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_vxUmg1q4TG-2L1eiKZw\\_SA](https://imf.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_vxUmg1q4TG-2L1eiKZw_SA)

**NOTE:** There is no limit on the number of participants from your organization/institution. This webinar is intended for officials and government agencies tasked with the design and execution of policies related to macroeconomics and climate change issues as well as NGOs and civil society organizations dealing with climate topics.

## Abstract

Climate change entails fundamental economic disruptions for countries in the Middle East and North Africa and has the potential to endanger food security, undermine public health, increase poverty and inequality, and threaten political stability. This webinar serves as first event of a new METAC webinar series on the Economics of Climate Change. It provides an overview of the science and economics of climate change, including its causes, economic consequences, and impact on human welfare. The webinar discusses how the IMF engages its member countries to address climate change issues and presents adaptation and mitigation policy options for tackling climate change. Regional examples highlight progress, challenges, and opportunities to address climate issues. The presentation will be followed by a Q&A and discussion session.

## Objective of the Webinar

The objective of the webinar is to engage with member countries to

- raise awareness about the macro-criticality of climate change and its impact on human welfare,
- identify the causes of climate change,
- outline the key policies to mitigate and adapt to climate change, and
- explain how the IMF approaches climate change issues.

**The event requires registration.** Kindly register for the session using the link above. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing a separate link for joining the webinar.

Should you encounter any difficulties connecting to the webinar, please contact Ms. Zeinab Hammoud at ([zhammoud@IMF.org](mailto:zhammoud@IMF.org)).

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