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## news release

### **CFCAS congratulates IPCC on its Nobel Peace Prize**

(October 18, 2007 – Ottawa) The Canadian Foundation for Climate and Atmospheric Sciences (CFCAS) congratulates the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) for its shared Nobel Peace Prize. The Prize recognises the IPCC's work in raising awareness of the state of the world's climate, including the causes and consequences of climate change and projections of future conditions.

Over 800 authors from 130 countries contributed to the IPCC's Fourth Assessment Report, which demonstrated the impact of humans on climate and laid the foundation for policy measures aimed at mitigation and adaptation. This number includes 67 Canadian researchers, a number of these involved in CFCAS-funded research. Their research and analyses provided key results that helped inform the Panel's conclusions. Other Canadians were involved in the reviewing process.

"The Foundation warmly congratulates IPCC and all the Canadians who have been involved in its Assessments of the world's climate," said Gordon McBean, Chair of the Board of CFCAS. "The panel's findings provide a solid foundation for Canada's response to changing conditions."

In February and April of this year, the CFCAS hosted or co-hosted two briefing events on the key scientific findings of the 2007 IPCC report, on vulnerability to the impacts of climate change and the urgent need for adaptation measures. These briefings enabled IPCC authors and reviewers from Canadian universities, government departments and private companies to provide first hand information on the preparation, conclusions and recommendations of the Assessment Report to media and the public. The next IPCC Assessment will take place in 2012-2013.

Announced last Friday, the Nobel Prize is shared with Al Gore, former Vice-president of the United States and maker of the award winning film: *An Inconvenient Truth*.

The Canadian Foundation for Climate and Atmospheric Sciences (CFCAS) is the main funding body for university-based research on climate, atmospheric and related oceanic work in Canada. It provides research grants through a competitive (peer-reviewed) process. Its current mandate extends to March 2011.

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