

Climate Change Community Response Portal (CCCRP)

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1. Basic facts about CCCRP project

- CCCRP produces a continuously improving, research based climate change information service that assists the society to mitigate and adapt to climate change – a boundary service
- Joint effort of
 - Finnish Meteorological Institute (FMI),
 - Finnish Environment Institute (SYKE), and
 - Centre for Urban and Regional Studies at the Helsinki University of Technology (TKK/YTK)
- one million euro support from EU Life+ funds for three years 2009-2011 (LIFE07 INF/FIN/000152 CCCRP)

2. Progress so far

- user need survey
- networking with stakeholders: end users and other data and service providers
- benchmarking
 - Workshop on web tools for climate change communication, June 2009, Helsinki
- concept planning

3. Concept/scope of the portal

- CCCRP collects research based climate change information and organises it within one portal to a user friendly service. It covers all aspects of climate change: climate change, changing climate of Finland, impacts, adaptation and mitigation.
- A pool of ca. 300 web articles introduces these aspects.
- Various other information types complement the text articles
 - definitions, animations, interactive learning tools, case studies, emission calculators, videos, webinars, database of rules and regulations, research reports, summaries of scientific articles.
- Success in the knowledge market?



3. Concept/scope of the portal

- Four different types of climate change related data will be visualized and made downloadable via one user interface.
 1. climate observations,
 2. climate projections,
 3. observations of climate change impacts as well as
 4. modelled impacts

- Data exchange interfaces are being designed to comply with INSPIRE standards in order to facilitate incorporation and usage of different data sources from different data providers



3. Concept/scope of the portal

- The portal makes use of risk framework and integrated environmental management system approaches to assist planners and decision makers at local and regional level
- databases for best practices as well as climate strategies and action plans, check-lists and wiki will be utilized
- The portal does not replace live dialogue between experts and stakeholders, but facilitates it.

4. Means and timetable

User participation in design of the portal and the wizards

- Steering Committee
- partners
- municipalities
- information producers
- communicators
- pilot test group; end-users

Training

- end-user training sessions in the municipalities

Timetable:

- 1.1.2009: start of the project
- year 2009: design phase
- May 2010: technical pilot version with a sample of the contents demonstrated
- Dec 2010: a pilot version released
- August 2011: CCCRP released (Finnish)
- December 2011: English and Swedish versions released

