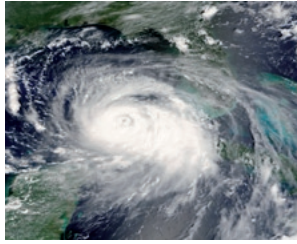


## The threat of climate change is real,



as recent publications, such as the fourth assessment of the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, have made clear. Given the wide range of impacts and interconnectivity of the solutions required, collaborative effort will be essential to find a way forward.

**The global business community, represented by ICC, is committed to working with governments and civil society to deepen understanding of the risks and vulnerabilities associated with climate change and to identify and implement solutions.**

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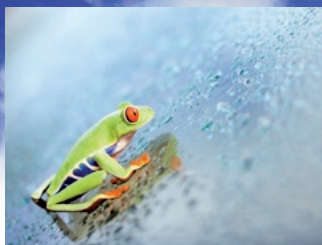
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**The 13th Conference of the Parties to the Framework Convention on Climate Change in Bali is an opportunity to further develop a process that will lead to a long-term climate regime involving all nations, and will provide business with the clarity it needs to make long-term investments.**



## **Climate change is a global issue requiring a global solution.**

Addressing it requires commitments and actions of all major actors in all sectors. Businesses around the world are part of the solution and are acting to meet the challenge of climate change, a challenge inextricably linked with urgent needs for more energy, increased development and greater economic growth. Many businesses have already made major changes in how they operate and have seized the opportunities for progress, entering new markets and introducing new processes, products and services that help reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

## **Business and governments can make progress**



## **by working together**, provided

that nations find ways to address climate change in the context of national circumstances and priorities while maximizing cooperation across a mosaic of national and regional strategies. ICC and its member companies stand ready to continue actively participating in formulating a post-2012 international framework to address climate risks, in Bali and beyond. Over the years, ICC has been working in concert with governments and international organizations to identify and promote global solutions to climate change, whether in partnership with other business

**Pictured above: ICC Secretary General Guy Sebban and UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon**

organizations, with national governments through the G8 or the WTO, or via its privileged consultative status with inter-governmental bodies including the United Nations. ICC also has offices in 90 countries that work directly with their local governments.

## **There is no inherent contradiction and many synergies**



between economic growth, trade liberalization, environmental protection and sustainable development. Economic growth and multilateral, rules-based trade provide the conditions in which protection of the environment can best be achieved. Environmental protection is necessary to achieve sustainable growth. The challenge ahead is to support and promote the growth of businesses, particularly in developing countries, that contribute to the economic, social and environmental objectives of sustainable development.