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## **SOLAR COOKERS INTERNATIONAL BRINGS URGENT SOLUTION TO UNITED NATIONS CLIMATE CONFERENCE COP26**

Sacramento, CA (October 27, 2021) -- Experts from Solar Cookers International (SCI) will urge governments, NGOs, investors, and scientists to recognize solar cooking as a powerful solution in global efforts to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions. SCI will champion solar cooking solutions at the upcoming Conference of Parties to the United Nations Convention on Climate Change (Glasgow, United Kingdom 31 October-12 November 2021).

“Climate change is an urgent issue. The time for action is now. Solar cooking is an ideal solution to both mitigate and adapt to climate change,” said Caitlyn Hughes, SCI’s Executive Director.

Solar Cookers International is the non-profit leading the solar cooking sector since 1987. SCI works to improve human and environmental health with solar cooking through advocacy, research, and building capacity, with collaborators in over 135 countries. Winning this year’s Keeling Curve Prize, which recognizes “the most impactful climate projects around the world,” SCI has proven to be the world’s leading advocate and resource for solar cooking solutions.

**SCI Press Conferences: all 10:15-10:45** am GMT at the Durdle Door in the Blue Zone

- **Wednesday, 3 Nov.** Special guest speaker includes Dymphna van der Lans, CEO of the Clean Cooking Alliance.
- **Thursday, 4 Nov.** Special guest speaker includes Karina Larsen, Global Manager for Knowledge, Communications & Gender/Youth Issues at the UNFCCC Climate Technology Centre & Network.
- **Friday, 5 Nov.** Special guest speaker includes Amanda McKee, Head of Knowledge Management at the NDC Partnership.
- **Tuesday, 9 Nov.** Special guest speakers include Dr. Daniel M. Kammen, Advisor for Innovative Energy Solutions at the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Jacquelyn Francis, Executive Director of the Global Warming Mitigation Project (GWMP) and the Keeling Curve Prize, and Chad Frischmann, Vice President & Research Director at Project Drawdown.
- **Wednesday, 10 Nov.** Special guest speaker includes Rana Adib, Executive Director of REN 21.
- **Thursday, 11 Nov**

### SCI Side Events (events are listed in local time -GMT)

- **Wednesday, 3 Nov 18:30.** Watch livestream on U.S Center YouTube page ([www.youtube.com/user/theuscenter](http://www.youtube.com/user/theuscenter)) and U.S Center website ([www.state.gov/climate-crisis/cop-26](http://www.state.gov/climate-crisis/cop-26)). Special guest speakers include Dr. Mrs. Janak Palta McGilligan, SCI Global Advisor, Jacquelyn Francis, Executive Director of the Global Warming Mitigation Project (GWMP) and the Keeling Curve Prize, and Rocky Dawuni, UN Goodwill Ambassador and Grammy Award nominee.
- **Monday, 8 Nov 16:45 - 18:00** at Strangford Lough with the Women and Gender Constituency.
- **Thursday, 11 Nov 11:30 – 12:30** at the Cryosphere Pavillion. Event will be livestreamed on the following social media pages:
  - SCI Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/SolarCookers](http://www.facebook.com/SolarCookers)
  - Cryosphere Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/COP26CryospherePavilion](http://www.facebook.com/COP26CryospherePavilion)
  - Cryosphere YouTube page: [www.youtube.com/channel/UCr\\_TPYUAyh13kVbQjzVKh0g](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCr_TPYUAyh13kVbQjzVKh0g)
  - Cryosphere Twitch page: [www.twitch.tv/cop26cryospherepavilion](http://www.twitch.tv/cop26cryospherepavilion)
  - International Cryosphere Climate Initiative (ICCI) page: [www.youtube.com/channel/UCXpj1q59mrsT5cOuyagk97Q](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXpj1q59mrsT5cOuyagk97Q)
- **Thursday, 11 Nov 13:00 - 14:00** at the World Health Organization Pavilion. Special guest speakers include Rob Bailis, Senior Scientist at Stockholm Environment Institute, Dr. Peg Barratt, professor of Applied Social Psychology at George Washington University, and Kendra Williams, Technical Officer at the World Health Organization. To register for this free virtual event, visit [https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_euSsKHePSLG7CBvyX6P27Q](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_euSsKHePSLG7CBvyX6P27Q).

### SCI Virtual Exhibit Booth

SCI is urging governments to explicitly recognize solar cooking in their NDCs (Nationally Determined Contributions) and VNRs (Voluntary National Reviews) as part of their climate policymaking, monitoring, and reporting activities.

The simplest solar cooker can save a family from burning one tonne of wood in a year, and with approximately 3 billion people worldwide cooking over open fires, solar thermal cooking is a powerful and appropriate solution.

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For the most up to date information, please visit <https://www.solarcookers.org/get-involved/events>. For more information, or to schedule an interview with one of our experts, contact: Solar Cookers International Headquarters at +1 916 455 4499 or [info@solarcookers.org](mailto:info@solarcookers.org)  
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