

# IPC signs partnership agreement with UNFCCC in the framework of the Climate Neutral Now initiative

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The United Nations (UN) calls on businesses and individuals to reduce their climate footprints by taking action today. To avoid the worst effects of climate change, science tells us we must limit global temperature rise to well below 2 degrees Celsius. As well as action by governments, voluntary action by business and individuals is needed to ensure we get on track to avoid the worst of climate change and transition to climate neutrality by the second half of the  $21^{st}$  century.

The Climate Neutral Now initiative urges individuals, companies and governments to:

- 1. Measure their climate footprint
- 2. Reduce their greenhouse gas emissions as much as possible
- 3. Offset what they cannot reduce using UN-certified emissions reductions

Climate Neutral Now provides a simple UN certified method for acting, as well as ways to support that action through an online portal.

For more information visit: <u>http://climateneutralnow.org/</u>

Read more about IPC's sustainability programme here.

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# About IPC's Environmental Measurement and Monitoring Programme

IPC's EMMS programme, the first sector-wide carbon reduction initiative for a services industry was launched in 2009 with a target of reducing postal sector  $CO_2$  emissions by 20% by 2020, based on 2008 baseline figures. Launched as a pilot in 2008 with 16 posts, EMMS was expanded in 2009 to 20 posts reporting on carbon emissions reduction efforts, to 22 in 2010 with the signing of Poste Italiane and Österreichische Post, to 23 in 2011 with the addition of South



African Post Office, and to 25 in 2012 when Empresa Brasileira de Correios e Telégrafos from Brazil and Nigerian Postal Service joined the programme..

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