



COP21 • CMP11

PARIS 2015

UN CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE

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OUTLINE

- What is COP21?
- Why should you care?
- Who attended?
- Conference proceedings
- Side events
- The Paris Agreement!

WHAT IS COP 21?

- “COP21” is shorthand for “21st Conference of the Parties” of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)
- COP21 was held in Paris from November 30th to December 11th 2015 and that’s why also commonly called the 2015 climate change conference

What is COP21 and why should you care?



WHO ATTENDED?

- World Leaders
- Delegates representing countries
- Observers
- Civil society and non-governmental organizations
- Journalists



CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- **NEGOTIATIONS**

- 2 plenary rooms
- 32 negotiating rooms
- Delegation offices

- **SIDE EVENTS**

- Side events were held parallel to the negotiations

- **EXHIBITIONS**

- Climate Generations Area
- Stands and pavilions spread throughout the conference center





SIDE EVENTS- FOSSIL OF THE DAY AWARD



THE PARIS AGREEMENT!

- COP21 resulted in 197 countries adopting the first-ever universal and legally binding global climate deal known as the Paris Agreement
- The Paris Agreement was **adopted** on December 12, 2015 at COP21 in Paris and **signed** on April 22, 2016 at UN Headquarter, New York
- **Entered into force** on November 4, 2016



THANK YOU!



THE 2015 CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE IN PARIS

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OUTLINE

- What is COP21?
- What is the big deal about climate change anyway?
- Who attended? World leaders, Negotiators, Observers, Media
- Conference proceedings
- Side events- Fossil of the Day Award video
- The Paris Agreement!
- Details and Status



WHAT IS COP 21?

- “COP21” is shorthand for “Conference of the Parties 21,” of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).
- 21st annual Conference of the Parties (COP) was held in Paris from November 30th to December 11th 2015.

WHAT IS COP21 AND WHY SHOULD WE CARE ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE?





WHO ATTENDED?

- World Leaders
- Delegates representing countries,
- Observers
- Civil society and non-governmental organizations
- Journalists.
- In total, 45,000 participants participated at the COP at the Paris-Le Bourget site at some point during the Conference. 20,000 people will be officially accredited and will have access to the Conference itself, while people not accredited to the Conference itself were still be able to take part in debates, see exhibitions and attend talks or screenings in observer halls.



CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- Negotiations
- Side Events
- Exhibition areas

SIDE EVENTS- FOSSIL OF THE DAY AWARD





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- Under Article 21 of the Paris Agreement, entry into force thirty days after the date the double threshold (at least 55 Parties representing at least 55 percent of global emissions) is met.