

DEPARTMENT OF STATE



Principal Areas of Focus

Through DOS annual funding, the United States is the world's leading financial contributor to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), a major organization for the assessment of scientific, technical, and socioeconomic information relevant to the understanding of climate change, its potential impacts, and options for adaptation and mitigation. Recent DOS contributions to the IPCC provide substantial support for the Global Climate Observing System, among other activities.

Program Highlights for FY 2004 and FY 2005

During FY 2004 and FY 2005, DOS will support development of the IPCC Fourth Assessment Report, which will serve as a decision support resource for policymaking related to climate change.