



EBEX21®

A national system for greenhouse gas Measurement, Management, and Mitigation, from Landcare Research

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EBEX E-manage is now ready for use

We've released a new web-based system that makes greenhouse gas emission, energy, and environmental monitoring and management as simple and easy as possible for organisations. **EBEX E-Manage** has been designed for all organisations taking a serious approach to managing their emissions' profile. The system is flexible enough to cater for the needs of small businesses, right through to large, complex-structured organisations. It provides a very user-friendly system for inputting and reporting data according to the organisation's structure or priorities. Interested in using **EBEX E-Manage**? Then contact us for more information.

Climate Change and Business Conference

The Climate Change and Business Conference was held in Auckland early this month. Delegates from New Zealand, Australia, and around the world met to discuss issues such as implications of the Kyoto Protocol, carbon markets, government action, future directions, and other general business opportunities and issues. Landcare Research had a trade stand to promote the EBEX21 project and our substantial greenhouse gas research programme, visit:

http://www.landcareresearch.co.nz/research/greenhouse/index_1024x768.asp

CO₂ emissions associated directly with organising the conference were offset using EBEX21 carbon credits.

Climate change course

The Earth Council Learning Center is offering an Internet-based, self-paced course on "the greenhouse effect and climate change" (see <http://www.learnsd.org>). This course will give you an understanding of what the world's scientists think about the greenhouse effect and climate change, based on the comprehensive reports of the International Panel on Climate Change (IPCC).

Marlborough project progress

Maurice Marquardt is well on track to finish his MSc project “An investigation of the greenhouse gas balance of the Marlborough Region, New Zealand”, with a draft due by December this year. Maurice’s work has highlighted some important issues and will form the basis for further research in Marlborough and other regions.

International news

Experts see states as force in fighting global warming

Chicago Tribune, 12 October 2004 – With the re-election of President Bush, state governments and big business will likely be the biggest forces pushing policies and developing innovative technologies aimed at reducing U.S. emissions of the gases scientists say are causing global warming.

<http://www.wbcSD.org/includes/getTarget.asp?type=DocDet&id=11660>

Study: U.S. firms voluntarily cut emissions

The Electricity Daily, 12 October 2004 – An independent study has found that many U.S. corporations are moving ahead with greenhouse gas reduction programmes in the absence of federal regulations requiring them and despite the U.S. government’s rejection of the Kyoto Protocol.

<http://www.wbcSD.org/includes/getTarget.asp?type=DocDet&id=11661>

Financial world goes green as climate change treaty gets Russian boost

Agence France Presse, 7 November 2004 – After the nuns with guns portrayed by the environmental group Greenpeace, investment fund managers, bankers and the world's second largest reinsurer are turning into the new activists against climate change.

<http://www.wbcSD.org/includes/getTarget.asp?type=DocDet&id=11455>

Energy saver tip

Well the heaters are off and the freezers are busy. As we approach summer, it is a good idea to check that your refrigerators and freezers are running as efficiently as possible:

- ✓ Remove dust from the cooling coils
- ✓ Check the temperature settings
- ✓ Ensure door seals are in good condition, with no air gaps
- ✓ Defrost freezer units
- ✓ Locate your fridge and freezer units away from direct sunlight

This will save you money and energy.

For more tips, see www.ebex21.co.nz/Calculators/taking_action.aspx