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Policy analysis and strategic outlook for climate change impacts on defence and national security



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Our analytical capabilities

UNSW researchers bring expertise in:

- Climate change impacts on international security and conflict;
- Policy challenges & solutions for defence and national security;
- The development & human rights implications of climate change;
- International diplomacy & governance of climate change and security.

Key results

- Professors Anthony Burke & Shirley Scott, submission to the Commonwealth Parliament's Inquiry into the Implications of Climate Change for Australia's National Security. "Avoiding the strategic shock of climate change: An integrated national response".
- Shirley Scott and Charlotte Ku eds. *Climate Change and the UN Security Council* (Edward Elgar Publishing, 2018).
- Pichamon Yeophantong ed. "Environmental Justice and human rights in Asia", special issue of *Human Rights Defender*, 26(1), April 2017. Published by the UNSW Human Rights Institute.

Impact

- *Climate Change and the UN Security Council* reviewed in *Nature Climate Change*, August 2018.
- Burke & Scott submission and evidence cited in the Joint Committee on Defence, Foreign Affairs and Trade's May 2018 climate security report & influenced two recommendations.

Key personnel

- Professor Shirley Scott – International relations, international law and security, climate change governance and diplomacy
- Professor Anthony Burke – International relations and security, national security policy, climate science and governance, climate and conflict
- Dr. John Connor – History, climate-related conflict
- Dr. Pichamon Yeophantong – Politics and International Relations, environmental security and regional change

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