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## Science Cafe | Climate Change, Policy Ethics

During the last century the global temperature has been rising at an unprecedented rate. Our current economy contributed to climate change through greenhouse gas emissions, and at the same time suffers from climate change effects, such as extreme weather events. Therefore, in 2015 many countries including the Netherlands signed the UN agreement in Paris to limit this global warming below 2° C above pre-industrial levels. The Dutch goal is to reduce CO2 emissions to almost zero by 2050. And yet, global energy-related CO2 emissions rose in 2018 to their historical highs according to the Global Energy and CO2 Status Report. How are the Netherlands, Europe and the globe planning to achieve their emission targets? Which policies are being put forward and what will be the role of the private sector, the government and citizens? And in which way are current moral convictions and political regulations prepared for these challenges? In this Science cafe these questions will be addressed by two eminent speakers. Our first speaker prof. Rik Leemans will update us on the main climate-change factors and the necessary emission reductions on how to minimise the climate change impact. Our second speaker prof. Marcus Düwell will help us understand the climate change from an ethical perspective. More info about the speakers & the programme can be found on the website of the Science Cafe. \*\*\*\*\* What is a Science Cafe? It's an informal meeting in a cafe, with live music, and with a moderator for a lively debate. It's an initiative from WUR employee's & students and is an informal meeting between scientists and those who love science, or who love to debate the impact of science on our society.' Each meeting is organized around an interesting topic of conversation. After some live music, two scientists give a brief presentation and sometimes show a short video clip to kick off a spicy debate. Visit the science café: get a beer, listen, make some remarks and enlighten your mind. And if you are not inspired, you can leave whenever you want... When & language: Thursday evenings and the spoken language is English. For who: Scientists & those who love science, or who love to debate the impact of science on our society. Frequency: The intention is to present 4 to 6 Science Cafes a year. The crime scene: The meetings are held in a cafe with live music: Café Loburg, Molenstraat 6 in Wageningen. KLV: KLV is sponsor of this event.

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