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Innovations during COP26 Link Climate Change and Nuclear Weapons

[Stirling, Scotland] – The [International Forum for Understanding](#) is addressing [Nuclear Climate Change](#) during COP26 with a unique event taking place at historic Stirling Castle and a showcase of related digital multimedia interactions.

Open to the public, the November 1st event features Christine Parthemore, CEO of the Council on Strategic Risks, discussing the climate-nuclear nexus and a panel of young, global thinkers examining existential threats and interconnected solutions. A tour of Stirling Castle, located roughly 30 minutes from Glasgow, will follow the talks. An original, immersive-theatre experience will also premiere.

As [Les Simm](#), the Executive Director of the International Forum for Understanding, notes, 'This ancient setting is the perfect location to explore urgent contemporary topics with a view to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The past transforms into the future through a seamless, intergenerational approach.'

Innovations continue with [Climate Change in Context](#): a menu of leading-edge multimedia interactions launched by the International Forum on October 15th. Ranging from digital games for children to virtual-learning modules for decision-makers, fresh multimedia interactions will be released every day for 26 days around the COP26 summit.

[Heather Wokusch](#), the Director of Development for the International Forum for Understanding, explains: 'Studies have shown that detailing scary consequences of climate change is ineffective in changing beliefs. People just turn off in the same way that they do when faced with similar messaging about existential threats such as nuclear weapons. Far more persuasive is explaining the mechanisms behind these dangers and creating pathways for impactful action.'

Wokusch adds: 'For example, [Climate Change in Context](#) will tackle climate anxiety with three separate digital modules covering everything from grounding techniques to communication strategies to empowerment tools.'

More information about the 'Nuclear Climate Change' event and the 'Climate Change in Context' multimedia modules is available here: <https://ifound.global/forum/>

NOTES FOR EDITORS

Based in Cambridge, the International Forum for Understanding promotes constructive dialogue and impactful solutions for urgent contemporary challenges such as nuclear, biological, chemical, and strategic conventional weapons (NBC and SCW), disarmament, arms control, and non-proliferation. Through facilitating discussion among opinion leaders and an innovative range of actors, the International Forum for Understanding focuses on achieving actionable results informed by diverse, intergenerational perspectives.

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