



We are delighted to invite you to join us for a press conference announcing the
The 13th annual UNAFF (United Nations Association Film Festival)
In Palo Alto - San Francisco - East Palo Alto - Stanford University
The theme for 2010 is **“POPULATION – MIGRATION - GLOBALIZATION”**

13th Annual United Nations Association Film Festival (UNAFF)
to Screen 60 Documentaries from 60 Countries with more timely stories than ever –
*climate refugees, religion and terrorism, immigration through the eyes of children, the
pirate fishing industry, internet and the social media in poor countries, photo images and
politics, forbidden arts in Russia, Afghanistan and Iran.*

WEDNESDAY, September 15, 2010

World Affairs Council of Northern California
312 Sutter Street (bet. Grant and Stockton), Second Floor
San Francisco, CA

5:45 pm Reception

Delicious food by *La Mediterranee*

6:15 pm Press Conference

Introductory remarks by Jasmina Bojic, Founder and Executive Director, United Nations Association Film Festival presenting the UNAFF trailer, program and UNAFF 2010 filmmakers (Bay Area filmmakers present)

7:00 pm Film Screening

CLIMATE REFUGEES

(89 minutes) Bangladesh/China/Tuvalu/USA

Director: Michael Nash **Producers:** Michael Nash, Justin Hogan

A climate refugee is a person displaced by climatically induced environmental disasters. Such disasters result from incremental and rapid ecological change, resulting in increased droughts, desertification, sea level rise, and the more frequent occurrence of extreme weather events such as hurricanes, cyclones, fires, mass flooding and tornadoes. All this is causing mass global migration and border conflicts. For the first time, the Pentagon now considers climate change a national security risk and the term climate wars is being talked about in war-room like environments in Washington D.C. The U.N. currently states that more refugees are now displaced by environmental disasters than by war, more than 25 million climate refugees (ecologically induced migrants), and experts have projected that number will double within the next five years to over 50 million. Several organizations like the IPCC, Red Cross and The Christian Monitor estimate between 150 million and 1 billion climate refugees will be displaced within the next four decades, yet not one single international law gives asylum, or even a helping hand to environmental refugees. **Conversation** with the filmmakers after the film.

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Press kits and screening schedules will be available at the conference

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