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## CLIMATE CHANGE COP 16 SUPPORTS POOR PEOPLE

The [COP 16](#) is taking place at the moment in Cancun, Mexico. This follow up to the disappointing Copenhagen summit is offering a renewed opportunity to take finally action on climate change. Climate change affects everyone across the board, but especially the world's poorest as they are the ones that tend to live in the most vulnerable locations ie river deltas, lacking access to water and suffering from the destruction of natural resources.

Climate change puts progress made by the UN's Millennium Development Goals into danger, with estimates that up to 40% of projects could fall through due to unanticipated climate risk. COP 16 need to seize this unique opportunity to make a change and come up with an ambitious and binding deal, a deal that also supports poor people in their fight against the devastating effects of climate change. Fight climate change is a social challenge!

Conny Reuter, SOLIDAR Secretary General

## INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

### PAKISTAN UPDATE

Following the floods which devastated Pakistan in August 2010, SOLIDAR members have been present in the country running humanitarian projects. Swiss Labour Assistance's activities include the now finished project of the distribution of 2,100 tool-kits and is currently putting up 800 transitional shelters incl. sanitation facilities with winterisation kits in Kyber Pakhtunkhwa (KPK). They are also starting a new project to distribute bedding, kitchen and tool-kits in Punjab, one-room shelters with sanitation facilities in Punjab, and livelihood/income-generation project in KPK. SLA's activities are being supported by other SOLIDAR members: OBG Luxemburg; AWO International; NPA; Apheda; FOS SOCSOL Belgium; Volkshilfe Austria.

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