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**Press release UN Global Climate Week
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The UN Global Climate Week starts in Hamburg with the First Hamburg Climate Week/Climate Night.

There will be 40 protagonists offering over 60 activities in the Europa Passage.

Hamburg the 11th September 2009. On the 19th September 2009 the United Nations Global Climate Week will be officially opened with the First Hamburg Climate Week/Climate Night in the Europa Passage in Hamburg. The aim of the Global Climate Week, running under the motto "Seal The Deal", is to generate international awareness and to significantly contribute in helping the decision makers during the United Nations Climate Conference in Copenhagen to make clear, sustainable decisions. Within the Global Climate Week diverse local events will be taking place and simultaneously also the climate week in New York and in Hamburg. UNEP-Secretary General Achim Steiner stressed the fact that at the Climate Conference in Copenhagen the most important political decisions for mankind will be made since the Second World War. Already to this day 90% of all environmental disasters are caused by global climate change.

For the Global Climate Week's grand opening Michel Jarraud, General Secretary of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), is requested to visit us. Furthermore, renowned representatives of the City of Hamburg and of the German Government will be attending the event. The opening ceremony is to take place on the 19th September at 11 a.m. in the Europa Passage, the most popular shopping mall in Hamburg. In the course of the First Hamburg Climate Week/Climate Night 40 protagonists with over 60 events in and around the Europa Passage will be making the phenomena climate change a hands-on experience.

One week before the grand opening of the First Hamburg Climate Week/Climate Night the research and media vessel ALDEBARAN was hoisted out of the Alster Lake - directly in front of the Europa Passage. Serving as a symbol of successful dialogue between science and media visitors can experience the ship at first hand and learn about the results made during the ship's research expedition "Following the Trails of Climate Change". During their climate expedition to the Middle Americas this coming December the ALDEBARAN will be broadcasting live from onboard the ship to the Climate Conference in Copenhagen.

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