

6<sup>TH</sup> WORLD CONFERENCE OF SCIENCE JOURNALISTS  
*Stories that matter to a  
changing world*

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London, United Kingdom

30<sup>th</sup> June - 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2009

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WCSJ2009

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FOR SCIENCE JOURNALISTS

Top editors speak: what is the future for science reporting?

Threat or promise? How will the advent of podcasts, blogging and citizen journalism change the face of science reporting?

Investigative science reporting: a thing of the past?

Billionaire philanthropists: what influence on scientific progress?

Climate change: should the sceptics be heard?

At the 5<sup>th</sup> World Conference of Science Journalists over 600 journalists, from over 50 countries, came together to debate hot topics in science journalism. Now the 6<sup>th</sup> World Conference of Science Journalists invites you to debate, influence, share experience and excellence, develop skills, network, and enjoy all that London has to offer.

Get to the heart of UK science and technology through themed workshops, breakfasts, lunches and exhibitions and choose from a range of trips to top science facilities.

Registration now open at [www.wcsj2009.org](http://www.wcsj2009.org), early bird rates available. Reduced rates for journalists and for members of the Association of British Science Writers [www.absw.org.uk](http://www.absw.org.uk) and other member organisations of the World Federation of Science Journalists [www.wfsj.org](http://www.wfsj.org)

We look forward to seeing you in London in 2009.

PROGRAMME OUTLINE:

**Monday 29 June**

Skills Building Workshops and Science Briefings and journalists reception at the Science Museum.

**Tuesday 30 June**

Morning:  
Skills Building Workshops and Science Briefings

Afternoon:

- Plenary - New Media: the future for science
- Plenary - Billionaire philanthropy in science funding
- 5 parallel sessions
- Tea party

Evening:

Welcome Reception

**Wednesday 1 July**

Morning:

- Themed breakfasts
- Plenary - Climate Change: gearing up for Copenhagen
- 5 parallel sessions

Afternoon:

- Themed lunches
- 10 parallel sessions

Evening:

Gala Reception at the Natural History Museum

**Thursday 2 July**

Morning:

- Themed breakfasts
- Plenary - Editors: what future for science?
- 5 parallel sessions

Afternoon:

- Themed lunches
- 5 parallel sessions
- Closing Plenary - International panel of government science advisors

Evening:

Farewell Party

**Friday 3 July**

Post Conference trips to Delft University, the Netherlands; British Antarctic Survey; Research Parks in Norwich and Oxfordshire; and other top science facilities.

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