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### Call for Submissions: Thailand's First Short-Film Competition on Climate Change

Changing Climate, Changing Lives (CCCL) Film Festival 2020 calls for applications to a short-film competition on the subject of climate change in two categories: general and professional. The top winner in each category will be awarded THB150,000 cash prize.

Thailand is one of the top 16 countries facing “extreme risks” of climate change over the next 30 years, according to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). In the past decade, millions of Thais have been hit by the worst floods and droughts in decades. Thai Drought has been a contributing cause of rising poverty among Thai farmers in recent years, according to the World Bank. Thai farmers now face water shortages in the longer hot season, and Thais in both rural and urban areas have been affected by toxic haze and PM 2.5.

More Thais have died from natural disasters and suffer climate-related health hazards, from extreme heat to dengue fever, malaria, and respiratory diseases. Deforestation and growing urbanization and industry have substantially reduced Thailand's natural resources and biodiversity. Accumulated, long-term impacts—both from climate change and man-made—have fallen disproportionately on poor communities relying on agriculture and natural resources. Awareness about climate change is increasing but many affected communities have been dealing with these challenges for a long time with ingenuities and courage.

A successful CCCL short film will tell an inspiring story about how individuals, groups, or local communities in Thailand deal with the challenges of climate change. Applicants can be an individual, a group or community, or a local organization. The short film can be in any genre and format, including animation, 2-10 minutes long.

CCCL 2020 looks for stories that inspire hope and action and a sense of community and belonging and aims to support and empower local communities, with a special invitation to youth, to share their personal stories of climate change and highlight the positive steps taken to mitigate or adapt to the impacts.

To support aspiring filmmakers with limited resources, 10 THB25,000 grants for film production is available to selected applicants with a compelling story to tell.

Deadline for grant application is April 30, 2020. Submission deadline for finished films is August 30, 2020. CCCL films will be screened first at Bangkok Arts and Cultural Center (BACC), November 21-22, 2020, and later toured around Thailand. Selected outstanding films will be submitted to international film festivals.

For more information on competition rules and guidelines and how to submit stories and apply for a grant, visit our website [climatefilmfestival2020.com](http://climatefilmfestival2020.com) or send queries via LINE @cccl2020.