Edinburgh International Science Festival 2017 — Coral reefs under threat

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The Edinburgh International Science Festival 2017 runs until 16 April 2017. On Monday 3 April 2017 an event will inform about the world's coral reefs and the threat from warming seas.

Experts will explain that greenhouse gases must be curbed to save the reefs. 400 million people indirectly depend on the reefs for their livelihoods and six million fish from coral reefs. They will also point out that the emissions cause the seas to warm and become more acidic which will affect seafood production.

If future emissions were curbed, however, scientists expect that further changes could be limited, giving life in the oceans a chance to adapt.

The event, Predicting the Effects of Climate Change, takes place at Our Dynamic Earth in Edinburgh at 7pm on Monday 3 April, featuring researchers from the Universities of Edinburgh and East Anglia and Heriot-Watt University.

Dr Fiona Murray of the University of Edinburgh's School of GeoSciences, who is participating in the event, said: "Warming climates are already damaging our oceans, but it not too late to limit future changes and protect our valuable marine resources."

More details of how to book tickets for the event Predicting the Effects of Climate Change by 2100 at Dynamic Earth at 19.00 here.

You can browse the festival programme here