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Climate change has already been altering lives on our planet for a generation. Forecast shows, through Stephan Faris's vivid on-the-ground reporting, that there are more unanticipated and surprising effects—some catastrophic, some positive—right around the corner.

According to Faris, crops will fail in previously lush areas and thrive in some formerly barren zones, altering huge industries and remaking traditions. Global warming will spur the spread of many diseases. The warming world will shift huge populations and potentially redraw political alliances around the globe, driving environmentalists into the hands of anti-immigrant groups. And water scarcity has the potential to inflame and draw the United States into multiple conflicts.

Told through the narratives of current, past, and future events, the result of astonishingly wide travel and reporting, Forecast is a powerful, gracefully written, eye-opening account of this most urgent issue and how it has altered—and will alter—our future.

Stephan Faris is a journalist who specializes in writing about the developing world. Since 2000, he has covered Africa, the Middle East, and China for such publications as *Time*, *Fortune*, the *Atlantic*, and *Salon*. A former resident of Nigeria, Kenya, Turkey, China, and Italy, he now lives in California with his wife and son.

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