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**PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA**

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## PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

The Forty-First Session of the IPCC (IPCC-41) will take place from 24-27 February 2015 at the Headquarters of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), United Nations Avenue, Gigiri, Nairobi, Kenya.

Simultaneous interpretation in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish will be provided during the plenary meetings of the Session. All documentation will be in English only.

Pre-session documentation will not be distributed on paper but will be posted on a dedicated web page at [www.ipcc.ch](http://www.ipcc.ch). In addition the IPCC papersmart system will allow registered participants to access session documents in electronic format during the meeting on a dedicated web portal via individual credentials linked to their registration. Specific guidance on the use of the papersmart system is made available in advance of IPCC sessions. Participants are encouraged to download the documentation on their computers in advance of the session.

It is suggested that the working hours be from 10.00–13.00 and from 15.00–18.00 hours.

Additional information about IPCC-41 is available on the dedicated web page at [www.ipcc.ch](http://www.ipcc.ch)

### 1. OPENING OF THE SESSION

The Chair of the IPCC will call the session to order at 10:00 am on Tuesday 24 February 2015. A number of special guests will address the Plenary.

The provisional agenda IPCC-XLI/Doc.1 will be submitted to the Panel for approval. The agenda may be amended at any time during the session.

### 2. APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT REPORT OF THE 40<sup>th</sup> SESSION

The draft report of the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPCC will be presented to the Panel for approval.

### 3. IPCC PROGRAMME AND BUDGET

#### 3.1 Draft statement of income and expenditure

The IPCC Secretariat will present a draft statement of income and expenditure for information. The audited statement will be sent to governments as soon as available.

#### 3.2 Revisions to the approved budget for the year 2015 as required

Currently there is no need for a revision of the approved budget for the year 2015. However, should the Panel decide to carry out additional activities in the year 2015 the budgetary implications shall be considered under this agenda item.

As the 41<sup>st</sup> Session is expected to take a number of decisions which will have budgetary implications for the coming years it is suggested that the budget for 2016 and the following years will be considered at the 42<sup>nd</sup> Session to allow for adequate preparation.

#### 3.3 Any other matters

Members of the Panel may raise any other matters related to budget and finance.

#### **4. ADMISSION OF OBSERVER ORGANIZATIONS**

Consistent with the “IPCC Policy and Process for Admitting Observer Organizations” the Panel is invited to consider the admission of new observer organizations. The applications presented to the Panel have been reviewed by the IPCC Bureau at its 48<sup>th</sup> Session.

#### **5. FUTURE WORK OF THE IPCC**

##### **5.1 Consideration of the recommendations by the task group on future work of the IPCC**

As indicated in the Terms of Reference of the Task Group on the Future Work of the IPCC decided at the 37<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPCC, the Task Group presented a second progress report, outlining different options regarding future work to the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the Panel. Governments were invited to submit further comments on that document by 19 December 2014. The Task Group co-chairs will present the report of the task group and options and recommendations for consideration and decision by the Panel.

##### **5.2 Decision on size, structure and composition of the IPCC Bureau and any Task Force Bureau**

Consistent with Rule 7 of Appendix C to the Principles Governing IPCC Work the Panel will review and as necessary amend size, structure and composition of the IPCC Bureau and any Task Force Bureau.

##### **5.3 Questionnaire about the organization of the IPCC nomination and review process – report by the Secretariat**

The IPCC Secretariat will present the results of the survey about how governments organize the nomination process for IPCC authors and experts and the government review process.

##### **5.4 Report of the expert meeting on potential studies of the IPCC process – recommended principles to guide IPCC’s engagement**

At its 37<sup>th</sup> Session the Panel discussed the matter of potential studies of the IPCC process. It requested the Executive Committee to initiate an expert meeting which should produce a report that recommends principles to guide the IPCC’s engagement with such research. The expert meeting was held on 28/29 January 2015 and the recommendations will be presented to the Panel for consideration and decision.

##### **5.5 Any other matters**

A request for an IPCC Special Report on the ocean was received from Monaco.

#### **6. COMMUNICATION AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES**

The Secretariat will report on communications and outreach activities undertaken since the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPCC and outreach plans for coming year.

#### **7. REPORT ON ACTIVITIES OF THE IPCC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The decision taken by the Panel at its 33<sup>rd</sup> Session states that the “Executive Committee is accountable to the Panel, and the Chair of the IPCC should report on the activities of the Executive Committee to the Panel and the Bureau”. The Chair will report on the activities of the Executive Committee since the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPCC.

## **8. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE IPCC CONFLICT OF INTEREST (COI) POLICY**

Consistent with the decision taken by the Panel at its 35<sup>th</sup> Session on the Method of Working of the COI Committee, the Chair of the COI Committee will present a report to the Panel. Information about the activities of the COI Expert Advisory Committee may also be presented to the Panel.

## **9. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE IPCC ERROR PROTOCOL**

Errata which require consideration and decision by the Panel will be brought to the attention of the Panel.

The IPCC Secretariat will present a report about the implementation of the Error Protocol.

## **10. PROGRESS REPORTS**

### 10.1 Progress report on the TFI

The TFB Co-Chairs will provide a progress report on TFI activities.

### 10.2 Progress report on the TGICA

The TGICA Co-Chairs will provide a progress report on its activities.

### 10.3 Progress report on the IPCC Scholarship Programme

According to the Trust Deed the term of the Board of Trustees comes to an end and the Panel is invited to appoint a new Board of Trustees. The Secretariat will provide a progress report on the Scholarship Programme.

### 10.4 Preparation of expert meetings mandated by the Panel

At its 40<sup>th</sup> Session the Panel decided to organize an Expert Meeting on Climate Change, Food and Agriculture during 2015 with the mandate to consider existing IPCC information on this matter and to recommend to the Panel possible further action, including the options of producing a Technical Paper or a Special Report, or to address the matter otherwise in the forthcoming assessment cycle. A progress report about the preparations for the meeting will be presented.

In response to proposals received from the International Geosphere-Biosphere Programme (IGBP) and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) sponsored Programme of Research on Climate Change Vulnerability, Impacts and Adaptation (PROVIA) for workshops on lessons learnt from the Fifth Assessment Report (AR5) to identify scientific gaps in knowledge that cut across Working Groups I, II and III the Panel at its 40<sup>th</sup> Session agreed to convene a "Lessons Learnt workshop". The IPCC Secretariat will provide an update on the preparations for that meeting.

The Panel agreed at its 39<sup>th</sup> Session to convene a scenarios meeting. The Co-Chairs of Working Group III will present a progress report about the preparations for the "Working Group III Scenarios Meeting" which will be held in May 2015 in Laxenburg, Austria.

### 10.5 Other progress reports

Any other progress report may be submitted under this agenda item.

## **11. MATTERS RELATED TO UNFCCC AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL BODIES**

The Secretariat will inform the Panel about IPCC presentations at the 20<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC (COP-20) and other UNFCCC Subsidiary Body meetings since the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the Panel. The representative of the UNFCCC will be invited to provide further information.

The Secretariat will further report about IPCC presentations at other major UN meetings including, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity & Ecosystem Services (IPBES), and the preparations for the 17<sup>th</sup> Session of the WMO Congress.

Representatives of other relevant international organizations will be invited to bring matters related to the work of the IPCC to the Panel's attention.

## **12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Delegates will be invited to raise and discuss other matters that may require the Panel's attention.

## **13. TIME AND PLACE OF THE NEXT SESSION**

The 42<sup>nd</sup> Session of the IPCC is planned to be held in October 2015.

## **14. CLOSING OF THE SESSION**

The Session is expected to close at 06:00 pm on Friday 27 February 2015.

**NOTE:** Delegates can register at the Headquarters of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), United Nations Avenue, Gigiri, Nairobi, Kenya, from 16:00 to 18:00 hours on Monday, 23 February 2015 and from 08:00 hours on Tuesday, 24 February 2015 onwards.