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To the Authors, Contributing Authors
and Review Editors of the IPCC

Annex: 1

Geneva, 23 May 2014

Sir/Madam,

Allow me to recall that the IPCC at its 37th Session (Batumi, Georgia, 14-18 October 2013) decided to set up a Task Group on the future work of the IPCC. The objective of the Task Group is to help the IPCC to continue to improve its operations and products. The Task Group will develop options and recommendations for consideration by the Panel during the period leading up to the 41st Session of the IPCC in 2015.

As decided by the Panel, the Task Group will draw on inputs from multiple sources, including experience from scientists involved in the IPCC process, in particular authors involved in the preparation of reports during the Fifth Assessment (AR5) cycle. On behalf of the Co-chairs of the Task Group it is my pleasure to invite you to submit your views on the future work of the IPCC using the attached questionnaire (Annex 1) which reflects the broad mandate of the Task Group agreed by the Panel. In your function you have been deeply involved in the work of the IPCC and preparation of its reports and we would be grateful if you could share your reflections about broader aspects of future work of the IPCC, future products of the IPCC, process, administrative and procedural matters, and any other observations and recommendations arising from your work as author and review editor.

The full text of the terms of reference of the Task Group, submissions from governments to earlier questionnaires and other relevant documentation on the work and mandate of the Task Group can be found on a dedicated webpage on <http://ipcc.ch/apps/future/>. You may wish to consult the documents posted before responding to the questionnaire.

Since the Task Group is expected to meet again mid-September 2014, we would appreciate to receive your submissions **by 31 July 2014**. This will allow us to compile and synthesize the submissions for consideration by the Task Group at its meeting in September 2014. Please send your submission to the following mailbox: ipccfuture@wmo.int.

Thank you for your cooperation and interest in the work of the IPCC.

Yours sincerely,



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Secretary of the IPCC