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PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

1. OPENING OF THE SESSION

- 1.1 Opening addressees
- 1.2 Tribute to Prof. Bert Bolin IPCC Chairman Emeritus
- 1.3 Working arrangements
- 1.4 Adoption of the agenda

2. APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT REPORT OF THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SESSION

3. IPCC PROGRAMME AND BUDGET FOR 2009 TO 2011

Information about the status of the IPCC trust fund by the end of the year 2007 will be submitted. A budget proposal for the period 2009-2011 will be prepared based on the discussion by the Panel of the future work programme of the IPCC and submitted for consideration and approval by the Panel at its 29th Session. Subject to a decision by the Panel on a Special Report on renewable energy adjustments to the 2008 budget may be required at this Session.

4. FUTURE OF THE IPCC

4.1 Key aspects of the future IPCC work programme

The IPCC Chair has circulated a discussion paper about the future of the IPCC to IPCC members, authors involved in reports prepared during the 4th assessment cycle and observer organisations. Comments received will be compiled in an information document and summarized by the Secretariat in a synthesis paper. The Panel is invited to consider the discussion paper and make recommendations on key elements of the future IPCC work programme, in particular working group structure, main types of reports and timing of future reports.

4.2 Future structure of the IPCC Bureau and the TFB

Elections of the IPCC Chair, the IPCC Bureau and the Bureau of the Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (TFB) are scheduled to take place at the 29th Session of the Panel. *Rule 7* of the *Rules of Procedure for the Election of the IPCC Bureau and any Task Force Bureau* requires that "the size, structure and composition of the IPCC Bureau and any Task Force Bureau will be reviewed and amended, as necessary, by the Panel at least one IPCC Session prior to the Session, at which the IPCC Bureau or any Task Force Bureau are elected" and that Annex B to the rules of procedures will be amended in line with decisions taken by the Panel. The Panel is invited to consider and take a decision on that matter.

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In this context it is noted that consistent with *Rule 20* the Secretary of the IPCC has invited with her letter of 5 February 2008 Members of the IPCC to submit to the IPCC Secretariat written nominations and accompanying curriculum vitae of nominees for the IPCC Chair and relevant IPCC Bureau or any Task Force Bureau positions. Members of the IPCC wishing to make a nomination shall submit them up until one month before a scheduled election. Members may also nominate a person for the IPCC Chair, the IPCC Bureau or the Task Force Bureau by making oral representations to the Panel at the IPCC Session at which an election is to be held.

5. REVIEW OF IPCC PRINCIPLES

The IPCC principles should be reviewed every five years. The last review was carried out in the year 2003. In this context it should be noted that, following an invitation from the WMO Congress the IPCC considered its terms of reference in the course of the years 2006/07. At its 26th Session (Bangkok, 4 May 2007) the Panel came to the conclusion that the current terms of reference serve the IPCC well and no revisions were necessary at present. The Panel is invited to consider whether a review of the *Principles Governing IPCC Work* should be carried out.

6. POSSIBLE IPCC SPECIAL REPORT ON RENEWABLE ENERGY

The Panel at its 25th Session considered the issue of renewable energy and decided to carry out a scoping meeting for a possible special report on renewable energy in late 2007, after completion of the AR4. The Panel also decided to consider in early 2008 the outcome of the scoping meeting and take a decision on whether to prepare a Special Report on Renewable Energy, its scope and work programme.

The scoping meeting was held from 21-25 January 2008 in Lübeck, Germany. The Panel is invited to consider the outcome of the scoping meeting and take a decision on the matter.

7. USE OF FUNDS FROM THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE

At its 27th Session the Panel agreed to set up a small group under the guidance of the IPCC Chair which would prepare a proposal on the use and management of the funds which the IPCC received with the Nobel Peace Prize. The Panel is invited to consider the proposal and take a decision.

8. ADMISSION OF OBSERVER ORGANISATIONS

Consistent with the *IPCC Policy and Process for Admitting Observer Organisations* the Panel will have before it a list of observer organisations for consideration and acceptance. The list had been reviewed by the 37th Session of the IPCC Bureau (7-8 April 2008).

9. OUTREACH

The IPCC Secretariat and the TSUs will present information about ongoing and planned outreach activities. The Panel is invited to comment and make suggestions on how to enhance IPCC outreach work.

10. ACTION TAKEN AT THE THIRTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE IPCC BUREAU

The Bureau will consider at its 37th Session (7-8 April 2008), in its function of an Editorial Board, the finalization of the Technical Paper on Climate Change and Water. The Technical Paper will be presented to the Panel for information.

11. PROGRESS REPORTS

- 11.1 TGICA
- 11.2 NGGIP
- 11.3 Emissions scenarios
- 11.4 Other progress reports

12. OTHER BUSINESS

13. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT SESSION

The 29th Session is planned from 1-4 September, 2008 in Geneva, Switzerland.