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IPCC OBSERVER ORGANIZATIONS

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Status of IPCC Observer Organizations

In compliance with the Policy and Process for Admitting Observer Organizations (Hereinafter, "the Policy and Process") adopted at the 25th Session of the IPCC, the Panel at its 26th Session held in May 2007 admitted 28 organizations as observers and noted 24 UN organizations as participating organizations.

Paragraph 11 of the Process requires that "admission of observer organizations be included as a regular agenda item of Sessions of the IPCC Bureau and the Panel at the discretion of the Chair." Since the IPCC Bureau has not held a session between the 26th and 27th Session of the Panel, it did not review and recommend to the Panel any new applications as required by Paragraph 5 of the Process. Therefore, **this document is for information only.**

After IPCC-26 the Secretary sent a letter (No. 6943-07/IPCC/ORG) to the 28 organizations (list in Annex 5 of Doc. 2, draft report IPCC-26) informing them that they were admitted by the Panel and became observer organizations of the IPCC. The 24 UN organizations were noted by the Panel as automatic participating organizations (list in Annex 5 of Doc. 2, draft report of IPCC-26), and will continue to receive invitations to participate in all IPCC and its Working Group Sessions.

The Secretary also sent a letter (No.6944-07/IPCC/ORG) to the 8 organizations which are on the IPCC mailing list, but never responded to early enquiries on whether they would like to continue receiving our invitations. The status of these organizations is shown in **Table 1**. Only two organizations responded positively, Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), and Alliance for Responsible Atmospheric Policy.

Table 2 shows new applications and those who indicated their interests. There are 11 new applications, 7 of which applied before IPCC-26, but were not considered by the Panel due to the need of the application having been received at least 4 months in advance, and 4 that applied after IPCC-26. Five organizations showed their interest and made queries about application procedures.

TABLE 1 List of Non-response Organizations*

No.	Name of organization	Relevance to IPCC	Observer of FCCC	Attendance record AR4	Response record
IGOs					
1	Asian Development Bank	Y	Y		
2	International Energy Agency (IEA)	Y	Y	IPCC-19	
3*	Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)	Y	Y	IPCC-21	L18/06/07
NGOs					
1	Centre for Business and the Environment (US)	Y	N		
2	Climate Council (US)	Y	N	IPCC-19, 21	
3*	Alliance for Responsible Atmospheric Policy	Y	Y	IPCC-23	L 02/06/07
4	Friends of the Earth International	Y	Y		
5	International Pharmaceutical Aerosol Consortium	Y	N		

^{*} Suggest to be upgraded to the List for Panel's consideration at IPCC-28.

 TABLE 2
 List of New Applications for IPCC Observer Organizations (all NGOs)

No.	Name of organization	Relevance to IPCC	Observer of FCCC			
New applications (11)						
1	African Network for a Climate Community (ANCC)	Y	Y	L18/01/07		
2	Campaign for a Hydrogen Economy (UK)	Y	Y	E12/01/07		
3	Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (CCCCC)	Y	Y	L13/02/07		
4	GERMANWATCH (Germany)	Y	Y	L21/02/07		
5	International Air Transport Association (IATA)	Y	Y	L18/01/07		
6	International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies	Y	Y	L19/02/07		
7	Institute of Marine Engineering, Science and Technology (IMarEST, UK)	Y	N	E27/11/06 L05/03/07		
8	Wetland International	Y	N	E23/05/07 L24/07/07		
9	International Policy Network (US)	Y	Y	L30/05/07		
10	Third World Network	Y	Y	L06/07/07		
11	Intermon Oxfam (on behalf of Oxfam International)	Y	Y	L17/07/07		
Interest	only (5)		•			
12	ETC Group (Int'l NGO environ & agri, Canada)	Y	Y	E01/05/07		
13	Challenge the Era Company W.L.L (CEC, Kuwait, observation on Non-profit email 04/03/07)	Y	N	E21/02/07		
14	Development Organization for Female Empowerment(DOFE, Bangladesh, Need to contact national FP for confirmation)	N	N	E19/09/07		
15	Ecological Society of Bangladesh (Need to contact national FP for confirmation)	Y	N	E28/06/07		
16	National Resource Centre (Nepal, Need to contact national FP for confirmation)	Y	N	E21/07/07		