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### Background

In paragraph 18 of Decision IPCC/XLIV-1 on the IPCC Programme and Budget, the IPCC “Further requests the Secretariat to dedicate an agenda item on the financial situation of the IPCC Trust Fund and to prepare a document on the resource mobilization strategy for consideration at IPCC-45.”

At its 43<sup>rd</sup> Session held in Nairobi (April 2016), the IPCC Panel noted with concern the decline in the number of contributors and the level of contributions to the IPCC Trust Fund. It requested the Chair and the Secretariat, with support from the IPCC Vice Chairs to embark on a resource mobilization campaign in an attempt to reverse this downward trend.

The Panel also agreed to take the outcomes of the 21<sup>st</sup> Session of the Conference of the Parties (COP-21) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) held in Paris (December 2015) into consideration when determining the IPCC programme of work and its products. It also accepted the invitation of UNFCCC COP-21 to provide a special report, in 2018, on the impacts of global warming of 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels and related global greenhouse gas emission pathways.

In addition, the Panel also agreed to prepare two other special reports on (a) climate change and oceans and the cryosphere and (b) climate change, desertification, land degradation, sustainable land management, food security and greenhouse gas fluxes in terrestrial ecosystems.

The Panel further agreed to produce a methodology report for the IPCC 2016 Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories.

The Panel also approved the Strategic Plan for the IPCC Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) Cycle.

### The IPCC Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) Cycle

The IPCC is organized in three Working Groups and a Task Force. Working Group I deals with “The Physical Science Basis of Climate Change”, Working Group II with “Climate Change Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability” and Working Group III with “Mitigation of Climate Change”. The main objective of the Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories is to develop and refine a methodology for the calculation and reporting of national greenhouse gas emissions and removals.

The main AR6 report, comprising three working group contributions, is expected to be released in 2021 and a Synthesis Report in 2022 – in time for the “global stocktake”, one year later, that countries will conduct on progress on the Paris Agreement. The Task Force will produce an update to the methodologies for the above-mentioned IPCC 2016 Guidelines in 2019.

### Support to experts from developing countries and countries with economies in transition

The IPCC Trust Fund supports the participation of experts from developing countries and countries with economies in transition in lead author meetings and expert meetings as well as the participation of their country representatives in plenary sessions. These experts represent extraordinary value as the authors volunteer their time and expertise. The proportion of developing country experts involved in the IPCC process has grown considerably from 27% in the Fourth Assessment Report (AR4) cycle to 38% in the Fifth Assessment Report (AR5) cycle.

## **Global commitments to limit climate change**

### Paris Agreement

At the 21<sup>st</sup> Session of the Conference of the Parties (COP-21) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) held in Paris (December 2015), 196 parties adopted the Paris Agreement. The Agreement's objective is to limit global temperature rise below 2°C and to aim for 1.5°C. In April 2016, the Paris Agreement was signed by 175 parties at a ceremony at the UN headquarters in New York. The Paris Agreement provides a specific role for the IPCC regarding the development of common methodologies and the assessment of implementation progress.

### The 2030 Agenda: How IPCC supports the Sustainable Development Goals

The 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were adopted in September 2015 at the United Nations Sustainable Development Summit held in New York. The 17 goals cover the three main pillars of sustainable development, namely: environmental, social and economic. The work of the IPCC during the AR6 cycle and beyond will contribute to the SDGs. In its efforts to support the SDGs IPCC will continue to work with its members, partners and stakeholders.

## **Objectives**

The main objective is to successfully complete the production of three special reports, a methodological report, the three Working Group contributions to the AR6 and the AR6 Synthesis Report.

To achieve this objective and deliver all the products and activities of the AR6 cycle, the IPCC is seeking to raise **CHF 58 million** over the entire AR6 cycle.

## **Financial situation**

### Current situation

Income over the past two years has remained at the same level of CHF 4.4 million with the number of contributors steadily declining over the past eight years i.e. from thirty seven in 2007-2008 to twenty four in 2014-2015. The reserves have also dropped significantly from CHF 13.4 million in 2010 to CHF 6.5 million in 2015.

Contributions to the IPCC Trust Fund are made on a voluntary basis and cover the organization of meetings and travel costs for experts from developing countries and countries with economies in transition, the production of reports and the running costs of the IPCC Secretariat.

### Where we want to be ?

In order to reverse the downward trend of the current financial situation in the IPCC Trust Fund, a good level of financial resources is crucial to ensure the successful completion of activities and products planned for the AR6 cycle. IPCC is seeking to raise **CHF 58 million** over the entire six-year period. Fundraising activities will be carried out in two phases to meet this target, in 2016-2019 and 2020-2022.

## How to get there ?

The fundraising activities identified include the production of a resource mobilization leaflet, a joint letter from the Secretary-General of WMO and the Executive Director of UN Environment in addition to face-to-face meetings with member governments to strengthen dialogue and encourage continued or resumed funding of the IPCC.

In an effort to broaden its funding base and obtain additional funding, the IPCC will explore the possibility of establishing partnerships with UN agencies, funds and programmes, international financial institutions such as the World Bank, regional development banks, regional economic and political unions, civil society and philanthropic foundations. All resource mobilization activities will be done in accordance with UN accountability frameworks, WMO financial rules and regulations and due diligence procedures.

An action plan to carry out the fundraising activities is provided below. These activities will serve to increase the level of contributions over the entire six-year period.

### Action Plan

Target Group	Activity	Phase I (2016-2019)	Deadline	Budget (CHF)	Responsibility
Member governments	IPCC Resource Mobilization leaflet (translation/publication)	Jun-16	30-Jun-16	7,000	Secretariat
Member governments	Joint letter	Apr-16	31-Jul-16	0	Secretariat
Member governments	face-to face meetings with Ambassadors in Geneva	Jun-Sep 2016	31-Dec-19	0	Secretariat/Vice Chair
International Financial Institutions	face-to-face meetings	Sep 16-Dec 19	31-Dec-19	10,000	Chair/Secretariat
Regional Development Banks	face-to-face meetings	Sep 16-Apr 19	31-Dec-19	12,000	Chair/Vice Chairs/Secretariat
Foundations	face-to-face meetings	Apr 17-Dec 19	31-Dec-19	8,000	Chair/Secretariat
Other UN organizations	face-to-face meetings	Sep 16-Dec 19	31-Dec-19	10,000	Chair/Secretariat
<b>Total Budget</b>				<b>47,000</b>	

Target Group	Activity	Phase II (2020-2022)	Deadline	Budget (CHF)	Responsibility
Member governments	IPCC Resource Mobilization leaflet (translation/publication)	update leaflet	31-Jan-20	7,000	Secretariat
Member governments	Joint letter	May-20	31-Dec-22	0	Secretariat
Member governments	face-to face meetings with Ambassadors in Geneva	Jan-June 2020	31-Dec-22	0	Secretariat/Vice Chair
International Financial Institutions	face-to-face meetings	Jan-June 2020	31-Dec-22	10,000	Chair/Secretariat
Regional Development Banks	face-to-face meetings	Jan-June 2020	31-Dec-22	12,000	Chair/Vice Chairs/Secretariat
Foundations	face-to-face meetings	Jan-June 2020	31-Dec-22	8,000	Chair/Secretariat
Other UN organizations	face-to-face meetings	Jan-June 2020	31-Dec-22	10,000	Chair/Secretariat
<b>Total Budget</b>				<b>47,000</b>	

The table below outlines the yearly targets needed to achieve the overall goal of CHF 58 million by 2022.

## Breakdown of IPCC Budget and Fundraising Target by Year

(Amounts in Swiss Francs)

Activity	Year							
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	
Governing bodies	2,055,000	2,153,000	1,773,000	1,773,000	1,773,000	2,885,000	2,125,000	
LA, scoping, expert meetings & workshops	1,953,880	3,310,640	3,666,320	3,474,880	3,029,840	1,989,440	1,989,440	
Other expenditure	1,168,318	775,628	851,628	851,628	913,628	866,628	866,628	
Secretariat	1,912,500	1,912,500	1,912,500	1,912,500	1,912,500	1,912,500	1,912,500	
Total	7,089,698	8,151,768	8,203,448	8,012,008	7,628,968	7,653,568	6,893,568	
<b>Grand Total</b>							<b>53,633,026</b>	
<b>FR TARGET</b>	<b>8,000,000</b>	<b>9,000,000</b>	<b>9,000,000</b>	<b>9,000,000</b>	<b>8,000,000</b>	<b>8,000,000</b>	<b>7,000,000</b>	<b>58,000,000</b>

### Risks

The risks of not delivering the expected activities and products of the AR6 cycle include the inability to provide policymakers with the balanced scientific information they have come to rely on, the inability to fulfill requests of the UNFCCC and not being able to contribute to the implementation of the Paris Agreement.

### **Monitoring and Reporting**

Contributions received during Phase I (2016-2019) and Phase II (2020-2022) will be closely monitored to ensure that the IPCC is on track to meet its yearly target. The Panel will be regularly updated on the financial status of the IPCC Trust Fund during the entire AR6 period.