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### Communication and outreach activities

This is a brief report on communication activities since the last report to the 43<sup>rd</sup> Session of the IPCC which was held in Nairobi, Kenya, on 11-13 April 2016.

#### Communications Strategy

The Communications Action Team, a subsidiary body to the IPCC Executive Committee set up under the Communications Strategy, has met three times, once face to face and twice by teleconference. The meetings focused on the update of the Communications Strategy, which is the subject of Agenda item 9.2 (see IPCC-XLIV/Doc.6).

#### Selected Outreach activities

- 3-5 April 2016, Bangkok, Thailand, Asia-Pacific Forum for Sustainable Development: participation by IPCC authors.
- 22 April 2016, New York City, United States of America, Signing Ceremony for the Paris Agreement at the United Nations: statement by the Chair of the IPCC at the high-level panel following the signing of the Paris Agreement.
- 2 May 2016, Geneva, Switzerland: Briefing with US Department of Defence Group: participation by the Acting Secretary of the IPCC.
- 3 May 2016, Maryland, United States of America, workshop of the University of Maryland on "Implications of Paris": speech by the Chair of the IPCC.
- 4 May 2016, New Jersey, United States of America, Eleventh Annual Rutgers Energy Institute Energy Symposium: keynote speech by the Chair of the IPCC.
- 4 May 2016, New Jersey, United States of America, Outreach Event on "Climate Change Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability: from the IPCC to New Jersey Practitioners" hosted by the Rutgers Energy Institute: participation by the Chair of the IPCC and IPCC authors.
- 5 - 7 May 2016, Washington DC, United States of America, Climate Action Summit: presentation by the Chair of the IPCC.
- 10 - 11 May 2016, Paris, France, Institute for Sustainable Development and International Relations (IDDRI) International Conference on "Sustainable Development: It's time!": address by the Chair of the IPCC.
- 12 - 14 May 2016, Krabi, Thailand, Asia-Pacific Broadcasting Union Media Summit on Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction: presentation by IPCC authors.
- 28 - 30 May 2016, Paris, France, Forum Météo et Climat: the IPCC joined the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) in supporting the participation of weather presenters. The Senior Communications Manager led one of the workshops, and the Secretary-designate briefed weathercasters on plans for COP22.
- 1 - 2 June 2016, Bamako, Mali, outreach event on the "Work of the IPCC and the AR5 findings": presentations by the IPCC Vice-Chair Youba Sokona and the Senior Communications Manager.
- 18 May 2016, Bonn, Germany, United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) and IPCC special event on advice on how the assessments of the IPCC can inform the global stocktake: presentations by several IPCC Bureau members.
- 19 May 2016, Bonn, Germany, Eighth meeting of the Research Dialogue (RD 8), UNFCCC SBSTA 44: presentations by several IPCC Bureau members.

- 20 May 2016, Bonn, Germany, side event by the Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (TFI) at the UNFCCC SBSTA-44, "2006-2016: 10 years of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines Way forward to support the Paris Agreement": presentation by IPCC TFI Co-Chair Eduardo Calvo and TFI Technical Support Unit (TSU) staff members.
- 16 June 2016, Geneva, Switzerland Geneva Environment Network (GEN) event on "The IPCC after the Paris Agreement": presentation of the work of the IPCC to the Geneva diplomatic and NGO community by the Chair of the IPCC.
- 17 June 2016, Geneva, Switzerland, WMO 68<sup>th</sup> Executive Council: report by the Chair of the IPCC.
- 17 June 2016, Geneva, Switzerland, IPCC side event to the WMO 68<sup>th</sup> Executive Council: presentation by the Chair of the IPCC, the Vice-Chair of the IPCC Youba Sokona, the Working Group I Co-Chair Valérie Masson Delmotte (by video conference) and the Acting Secretary of the IPCC.
- 20 June 2016, Oslo, Norway: the Chair of the IPCC had official meetings with Norway's Environment Minister and the Children's Panel on Climate Change.
- 21 June 2016, London, United Kingdom: the Chair of the IPCC had an official meeting with the Governor of the Bank of England.
- 30 June 2016, Geneva, Switzerland, meeting with the students from Washington University Law School: presentation by the Deputy Secretary of the IPCC.
- 11 July 2016, Geneva, Switzerland, meeting with the students from the Quaker UN Summer School: presentation by the IPCC Senior Communications Manager.
- 11-12 July 2016, Rabat, Morocco, International Conference on Water and Climate: participation by IPCC Secretariat staff.
- 13 July 2016, Baltimore, United States of America, Dynamic Earth Class Model UN Summit of the Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth: video message by the IPCC Senior Communications Manager.
- 18-19 July 2016, Rome, Italy, 5th World Forest Week and 23rd Session of the Committee on Forestry of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO): presentations by the Chair of the IPCC and the Vice-Chair Thelma Krug.
- 20 July 2016, Rome, Italy: the Chair of the IPCC had an official meeting with the Italian Environment Minister.
- 21 July 2016, Suva, Fiji, seminar of the Pacific Center for Environment and Sustainable Development on "Working with the IPCC: opportunities for the Pacific science and policy communities": video presentation by the IPCC Senior Communications Manager.
- 26 - 28 July 2016, Lautoka, Fiji, IPCC and the Pacific: seminar to the Symposium on Climate Change Adaptation in the Pacific Region on "Utilizing IPCC Science and Creating Opportunities for an Increasing Voice for the Pacific Islands": presentations by IPCC authors.
- 19 August 2016, Geneva, Switzerland, meeting with young children from the Geneva region during the 52<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Bureau: participation by IPCC WGI Co-Chair Valérie Masson-Delmotte and the Secretary of the IPCC.
- 1-2 September 2016, Seoul, Korea, Seoul Mayor's Forum on Climate Change: keynote address by the Chair of the IPCC.
- 5-9 September 2016, Jeju, Korea, Global Green Growth Week: keynote address by the Chair of the IPCC.

## **Rapid response**

There were no communications events requiring a rapid response.

## **Other communications activities**

Several media interviews were organized for the Chair of the IPCC around the conferences and official meetings he participated in.

A press release was issued on the strong interest in the call for nominations for the scoping meeting of the Special Report on the Impacts of Global Warming of 1.5°C above Pre-Industrial Levels and Related Global Greenhouse Gas Emission Pathways in the Context of Strengthening the Global Response to the Threat of Climate Change, Sustainable Development and Efforts to Eradicate Poverty (SR1.5). This, the call for nominations for the special report on climate change and oceans and the cryosphere, and the pre-scoping questionnaire for the Special Report on the impacts of global warming of 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels and related global greenhouse gas emission pathways in the context of strengthening the global response to the threat of climate change, sustainable development and efforts to eradicate poverty (SR1.5) were all promoted on social media.

The opening session of the scoping meeting for the Special Report on the impacts of global warming of 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels and related global greenhouse gas emission pathways in the context of strengthening the global response to the threat of climate change, sustainable development and efforts to eradicate poverty (SR1.5) was streamed live, attracting a large number of viewers.

A fundraising brochure has been published in the six official UN languages.

The Secretariat issued a request for proposals to refresh the IPCC website and is in the process of selecting a vendor. This work is expected to be completed by early next year.

## **Planned outreach activities**

- 14-15 October 2016, Bangkok, Thailand, an outreach event for participants from Thailand, Laos and Cambodia is planned before the 44<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPCC.
- 24-25 October 2016, Hanoi, Vietnam, an outreach event for participants from Vietnam is planned after the 44<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPCC.
- 2 November 2016. Havana, Cuba, Seminar on “Climate Change Science and the Role and Activities of the IPCC” to the International Convention on Science, Technology and Innovation.
- 7-18 November 2016, IPCC, Marrakech, Morocco, Activities at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC: an IPCC side event on the current work plan and a Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (TFI) side event, as well as a booth representing the work of the IPCC.
- End of November/beginning of December 2016, Kingston, Jamaica, an outreach event on IPCC activities, role and findings for the Caribbean: presentations by IPCC Bureau members and authors.