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(Submitted by the Secretary of the IPCC)
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Background

In paragraph 7 of Decision IPCC/XLIII-1 on the IPCC Programme and Budget, the IPCC “Takes note with concern the decline in the number of contributors and the level of contributions to the IPCC Trust Fund. Requests the IPCC Chair and the Secretariat, with support from the IPCC Vice Chairs, to embark on a resource mobilisation campaign in an attempt to reverse this downward trend …”.

Resource Mobilization Campaign

The main objective of the resource mobilization campaign is to generate interest in the work of the IPCC and obtain sufficient funding to successfully complete the production of three special reports, a methodological report, the three Working Group contributions to the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) and the AR6 Synthesis Report, as agreed in Decisions IPCC/XLIII-6 and IPCC/XLIII-7.

To achieve this and deliver all the products and activities of the AR6 cycle, the IPCC is seeking to raise CHF 54.9 million over the entire AR6 cycle. The campaign will be carried out in two phases: Phase I (2016-2019) and Phase II (2020-2022). Based on the 2017 budget, the fundraising target for 2017 has been established at CHF 8.3 million. The interim 2017 financial status as at 30 June 2017 is presented in Annex 1. Income received in 2017, as at 30 June 2017, stands at CHF 992,670. Pledges have also been received. The projection of the income/savings/expenditure for AR6 can be seen in Annex 2. All member governments, who have not yet done so, are urged to make their 2017 contributions as soon as possible. In addition, member governments, who may be in a position to do so, may wish to consider making a multi-year pledge for Phase I (2016-2019). A list of member countries that have made a contribution in 2017, as at 30 June 2017, is presented in Annex 3. Annex 4 provides a list of member countries who have expressed an intent to make a contribution in 2017, as at 30 June 2017.

Update on the Outcome of Fundraising Meetings

As a follow-up to the decision by the Plenary (paragraph 7 of Decision IPCC/XLIII-1 on the Programme and Budget), cited above, the Chair has met with representatives of governments as well as with regional and international organizations in bilateral as well as multilateral settings. The Secretary and the Deputy Secretary have also met with Permanent Representatives and other staff of the Permanent Missions in Geneva. The visits have been well received and have provided an opportunity to exchange information and views on the work of the IPCC.

The financial situation of the IPCC has been a primary focus of these discussions, with concern having been expressed about the current situation. As a result of the meetings, the discussions have been reported to capitals and in some instances a willingness to increase funding for the IPCC has been expressed. Some Governments have increased their contributions, made a contribution after having ceased contributing for several years, become a first-time contributor or made a multi-year pledge/contribution in the period after such visits, namely: Bulgaria, Canada, Germany, Italy, Republic of Korea, Maldives, Monaco, Montenegro, New Zealand, Peru, Sweden and United Kingdom.

Governments have also expressed a willingness to host IPCC meetings during and as a follow up to the visits. In addition, based on the presentation made by the IPCC Secretary during these visits which highlighted the political, financial and visibility risks, many governments have noted that there is a need to increase the visibility of the IPCC in international Geneva and the visits have also triggered engagement of the Chair and the Secretary in other events and activities.
Interim 2017 IPCC Financial Status
(as at 30 June 2017)
ANNEX 2

IPCC Projected Financial Status in AR6 Cycle (2016-2022)

Amount in Swiss Francs

Budget
Income
Expenditure
Open Cash Bal*
End Cash Bal*

*The negative cash balance means that we have used up our reserves and we run into the indicated level of deficit.
ANNEX 3

List of Donors that Made a Contribution in 2017 (January – June)

Bulgaria
China
Montenegro (additional 2016)
New Zealand (2018)
Norway

Peru
Sweden
United Kingdom
UNFCCC
WMO
ANNEX 4

List of Donors that have Expressed an Intent to Make a Contribution in 2017 (January – June)

Australia, Maldives (2017 & 2018)
Belgium, Mauritius
Finland, Monaco
Germany, Morocco