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**Request for an IPCC Technical Report from CGIAR Research Program on  
Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security (CCAFS)**

(Submitted by the IPCC Secretariat)



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Copenhagen, 31st March 2014

Dr. Renate Christ  
Secretary  
Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

**Re: Draft request for an IPCC Technical Report, to be submitted by end March at the latest**

Dear Dr. Christ,

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) is the leading international body for the assessment of climate change. The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) established the IPCC in 1988 to provide the world with a clear scientific view on the current state of knowledge in climate change and its potential environmental and socio-economic impacts. It reviews and assesses the most recent scientific, technical and socio-economic information produced worldwide relevant to the understanding of climate change.

The work of the organization is designed to be policy-relevant and yet policy-neutral, never policy-prescriptive.

The reports for the IPCC's fifth assessment from each of its three working groups will be approved by governments by end of April and constitute the most up-to-date single source of scientific information on the physical science of the climate system and climate change (Working Group 1); the vulnerability of socioeconomic and natural systems to climate change (Working Group 2), and the options for mitigating climate change (Working Group 3).

In December 2015, the nations of the world will convene in Paris under the auspices of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) to conclude an agreement on reducing greenhouse gas emissions and adapting to climate change. It is increasingly clear that climate change will have substantial and often negative effects on agriculture, exacerbating hunger, poverty and malnutrition. However, it is possible to find synergies between agricultural productivity and some forms of agricultural greenhouse gas mitigation.

Each of the three reports present material that is relevant to the UNFCCC deliberations, especially as they relate to agriculture. A single document, in the form of an IPCC Technical Report that collects information related to agriculture from the three working group reports and is completed no later than June 2015 would be of enormous service to the negotiators of the UNFCCC agreement.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bruce M. Campbell", written in a cursive style.

Bruce M. Campbell  
Director