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**Progress Report of Working Group II**

(Submitted by the Co-Chairs of Working Group II)

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#### **Activities of WGII Technical Support Unit**

The Phase II web launch of the Working Group II (WGII) contribution to the Fifth Assessment Report (AR5) occurred on 15 October 2014 (see <<http://ipcc-wg2.gov/AR5/>>), featuring:

- Final Chapter PDFs - <http://ipcc-wg2.gov/AR5/report/full-report/>
- Drafts and Review Materials - <http://ipcc-wg2.gov/AR5/report/review-materials>
- Annotated Comments Search Tool - <http://ipcc-wg2.gov/AR5/report/review-comments-disclaimer>
- Cited Non-Journal Literature Search Tool - <http://ipcc-wg2.gov/AR5/report/nj-lite>
- Graphics Collection - <http://ipcc-wg2.gov/AR5/report/graphics/>
- UN languages translations of the Summary for Policymakers - <http://ipcc-wg2.gov/AR5/report/spm-translations/>

All these documents can also be accessed from the IPCC page: <http://www.ipcc.ch/report/ar5/wg2/>

Non-UN language translations (Czech and Swedish) of the WGII AR5 Summary for Policymakers were posted on 21 January 2015. Translations of Executive Summaries for Chapters 22, 27, 29 were posted prior to the Structured Expert Dialogue at the 20th Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC in Lima, Peru, as were the WGII share of Synthesis Report graphics that had been brought to specification. WGII Technical Support Unit (TSU) staff have been heavily involved in quality control and production of the laid out Synthesis Report.

Final camera-ready files of the WGII AR5 were sent to Cambridge University Press on 22 October 2014, bound in two volumes: summaries, cross-chapter boxes, and Chapters 1-20 (sectoral and synthesis chapters) in Part A, and Chapters 21-30 (regional chapters) and annexes in part B. In addition, master files for an integration brochure – entitled “Summaries, Frequently Asked Questions, and Cross-Chapter Boxes” – were provided to the IPCC Secretariat on 28 October 2014, to be printed in-house by the World Meteorological Organization. Native files (text and graphics) were also provided to facilitate translations into all UN languages. The WGII AR5 proof check was completed on 2 December 2014, and the WGII TSU took delivery of bound volumes on 18 December. A mass mailing of hardcopy to Lead Authors, Review Editors, and Volunteer Chapter Scientists in USA/Canada/Mexico was completed on 19 December. Global distribution to WGII AR5 writing team members took place in the first week of January 2015.

Planning continues for migration of the WGII-maintained SREX (Special Report on Managing the Risks of Extreme Events and Disasters to Advance Climate Change Adaptation) and AR5 micro-sites and digital records (e.g., nominations packages, chapter drafts, review materials, desktop-publishing files, etc.). A permanent archive will reside at Harvard University’s Environmental Science and Public Policy Archives at the Harvard College Library, with duplicate digital holdings also provided to the IPCC Secretariat and the successor TSU for Working Group II.

#### **Expert Meetings**

Working Group II Co-Chairs, Vice-Chairs and Authors, as well as and its TSU have contributed to the planning and implementation of several expert meetings occurring in 2015:

- Potential Studies of the IPCC Process (Geneva, Switzerland • 28-29 January 2015)
- Scenarios (Vienna, Austria • 18-20 May 2015)
- Climate Change, Food, and Agriculture (Ireland • Dates TBD)

Details on the preparations for these Expert Meetings are reported under Agenda Items 5.4 (Potential studies of the IPCC Process) and Agenda Item 10.4 (Scenarios and Climate Change, Food and Agriculture).

## Outreach

The Working Group II co-chairs and authors have continued an ambitious schedule of outreach, discussing the Fifth Assessment Report's conclusions on impacts, adaptation, and vulnerability with stakeholders around the world. In addition to frequent media interviews, the subset of events featuring working group co-chairs include the following:

Date: November 3-4, 2014

Title: Chatham House conference on "Raising Ambition, Delivering Results"

Location: London, UK

Description: Co-Chair Chris Field delivered a presentation at this meeting considering the latest science on the risks of extreme events and climate change, as well as the implications for business, society and politics. For more information, see:

<http://www.chathamhouse.org/conferences/ClimateChange14>

Date: November 5, 2014

Title: Dublin's climate change lecture series

Location: Dublin, Ireland

Description: Co-Chair Chris Field gave a featured evening lecture in Dublin's climate change lecture series. He provided an overview of the IPCC Fifth Assessment Report, highlighting implications for Ireland.

Date: November 10-11, 2014

Title: AR5 Event associated with the South Africa National Climate Change Conference.

Location: Midrand, South Africa

Description: Co-Chair Chris Field and other authors participated in this regional event organized by the Department of Environmental Affairs of South Africa in collaboration with the IPCC Secretariat to present AR5 to African stakeholders.

Date: November 22, 2014

Title: IPCC Keynote for the American Academy of Religion

Location: San Diego, CA

Description: Co-Chair Chris Field delivered a featured presentation to the American Academy of Religion. The event took place at the San Diego Convention Center.

Date: November 25-26, 2014

Title: WGII presentations at the University of Tokyo and Ibaraki University

Location: Japan

Description: Co-Chair Chris Field gave a keynote at a symposium on impacts and adaptation at the University of Tokyo (November 25), as well as a special lecture at Ibaraki University (November 26).

Date: December 2-3, 2014

Title: Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) and Structured Expert Dialogue (SED) at COP-20 in Lima, Peru.

Location: Lima, Peru

Description: WGII Co-Chairs Chris Field and Vicente Barros and other authors participated in presentations coordinated by the IPCC Secretariat at the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice meeting on December 2 and at the fourth meeting of the Structured Expert Dialogue on December 2-3.

Date: December 7, 2014

Title: Development and Climate Days 2014

Location: Lima, Peru

Description: Co-Chair Chris Field spoke at the opening panel of the Development and Climate Days 2014.

Date: December 8, 2014

Title: IPCC Outreach event in Peru

Location: Lima, Peru

Description: Co-Chair Chris Field and other authors discussed the IPCC reports with stakeholders in Peru at an event organized by the IPCC Secretariat to present AR5 at the University of San Marcos.

Date: January 29, 2015

Title: Symposium on Climate Change Science and Our Future

Location: Tokyo, Japan

Description: Co-Chair Chris Field will give a featured presentation at a symposium on Climate Change Science and Our Future.