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MEDIA ADVISORY
IPCC Sessions in Kampala, Uganda
Special Report Approval and Launch: Managing the Risks of Extreme Weather Events

In November, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) will convene two important sessions in Kampala, Uganda, namely the 1st Joint Session of Working Groups I and II (14-17 November 2011) and the 34th Session of the IPCC (18-19 November 2011). Details and documentation of these meetings are available at www.ipcc.ch

The 1st joint session of IPCC Working Groups I and II will consider the finalization of the Special Report on Managing the Risks of Extreme Events and Disasters to Advance Climate Change Adaptation.

In accordance with the IPCC procedures, the Summary for Policymakers (SPM) of the Special Report will be approved line by line by governments and the underlying assessment report, which runs to several hundred pages, will be presented for acceptance.

Media representatives are cordially invited to a **press conference** on 18 November 2011 where the findings of the Special Report will be presented and the Summary for Policymakers made available. The press conference will be held in English, and one-way interpretation in French and Spanish will be available.

Please send an email to Gaetano Leone at gleone@wmo.int stating whether you would like to register for the press conference or you would like further information about the online access.

For journalists attending the press conference in person: The Uganda Media Council will deal with all media accreditation. Please visit the following webpage for further details: www.mediacouncil.ug/accreditation.php Journalists will be welcome to attend the opening ceremony of the 34th Session of the IPCC on 18 November 2011 at 10:00AM in the Victoria Ball Room. The ceremony will last approximately one hour, after which the journalists will be invited to leave the room. A work space for journalists will be made available after this time and until the press conference at 13:30.

For journalists who wish to access the press conference online: The online site will allow journalists to listen, view the presentations and post questions. Following the end of the press conference, a recording of the event will be posted online at www.ipcc.ch

Please write to ipcc-media@wmo.int if you would like to request an interview with IPCC experts after the press conference.

Time: 18 November 2011, 13.30 Eastern Africa Time
Venue: The Albert Room, Speke Resort and Conference Centre, Kampala, Uganda
Speakers: **Mr. Thomas Stocker** and **Mr. Qin Dahe**, Co-Chairs of Working Group I and **Mr. Chris Field** and **Mr. Vincente Barros**, Co-Chairs of Working Group II. Introductory remarks will be made by **Mr. R. K. Pachauri**, IPCC Chair.

Mr. Jerry Lengoasa, Deputy Secretary-General, World Meteorological Organization (WMO), **Mr. Peter Gilruth**, United Nations Environment Programme, (UNEP), a representative of the UN International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UNISDR) and a representative of the Government of Norway are also scheduled to attend.