IPCC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - SIXTY-FIRST MEETING Teleconference, Wednesday 6 June 2018 14.00-15.30 CET

CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS

Participants

Chair:

Hoesung Lee

Members:

Ko Barrett (IPCC Vice-Chair), Youba Sokona (IPCC Vice-Chair), Valérie Masson-Delmotte (WG I Co-Chair), Panmao Zhai (WGI Co-Chair), Hans-Otto Pörtner (WG II Co-Chair), Priyadarshi Shukla (WG III Co-Chair), Eduardo Calvo (TFI Co-Chair), Kiyoto Tanabe (TFI Co-Chair)

Advisory members:

Anna Pirani (WGI TSU Head), Melinda Tignor (WG II TSU Head), Lizzie Huntley (WG III TSU Head), Raphael Slade (WG III TSU Head of Science), Andrej Kranjc (TFI TSU Head), Abdalah Mokssit (IPCC Secretary), Elvira Poloczanska (WGII TSU Head of Science)

Apologies:

Thelma Krug (IPCC Vice-Chair), Debra Roberts (WGII Co-Chair), Jim Skea (WGIII Co-Chair), Joy Pereira (WG III Vice-Chair)

IPCC Secretariat:

Kerstin Stendahl (IPCC Deputy Secretary), Jonathan Lynn (IPCC Head of Communications)

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The provisional agenda (EXCOM-LXI/Doc.1), as attached in Annex 1, was adopted without changes.

2. URGENT ISSUES RELATED TO IPCC PRODUCTS AND PROGRAMME OF WORK THAT REQUIRE PROMPT ATTENTION BY THE IPCC BETWEEN PANEL SESSIONS

No issues were discussed under this agenda item.

3. COMMUNICATION AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

3.1 Ongoing and planned activities

Jonathan Lynn informed the ExCom of recent outreach activities, including the outreach events in Riga, Latvia the previous week as well as plans to produce explainers for the IPCC Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5°C.

A full list of communications and outreach activities had been sent to the ExCom members in advance of the meeting.

The ExCom took note of the report.

4. RESPONSE TO POSSIBLE ERRORS IN COMPLETED ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER IPCC PRODUCTS

4.1 Update on the implementation of the error protocol and follow up.

The Deputy Secretary of the IPCC informed the ExCom of the pending cases, noting that a full list had been sent to ExCom members in advance.

The ExCom took note of the update.

5. COORDINATION BETWEEN WORKING GROUPS AND TASK FORCES ON ACTIVITIES AND ISSUES PERTAINING TO THE PRODUCTION OF ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER RELEVANT IPCC PRODUCTS

5.1 Report on the expert meeting on short-lived climate forcers (SLCFs)

The Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (TFI) Co-Chairs Kiyoto Tanabe and Eduardo Calvo as well as Working Group I (WGI) Co-Chairs Valerie Masson-Delmotte and Panmao Zhai reported on the expert meeting on short-lived climate forcers that took place in Geneva on 28-31 May 2018. It was a very successful meeting bringing together experts from two communities and allowing for good interplay and a collaborative spirit. The meeting report will be published by end of August.

The ExCom took note of the report.

5.2 Report on SBSTA-48

The Secretary of the IPCC reported on the week of the 48th session of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA-48), Research dialogue and the informal meeting with the new SBSTA Chair Paul Watkinson. He noted that IPCC had been well represented during the week in Bonn and noted with appreciation the presence of many Bureau members. It was clear that issues such as greater partnership and synergy among assessments, communication and stakeholder engagement, business sector involvement as well as inclusion of indigenous and traditional knowledge will require further attention and work. In the ensuing discussion it was stressed that logistics for the up-coming 24th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP-24) to the UNFCCC, should be carefully planned and executed.

The ExCom took note of the report.

5.3 Ethics of authorship

Working Group I Co-Chair Valerie Masson Delmotte presented a note depicting what constitutes IPCC authorship. She noted that there is a need to draft guidance for chapter scientists especially regarding the management of non-contributions from Lead Authors and Review Editors. The guidelines would allow for transparency and form part of IPCC's risk-management policy. In the ensuing discussion there was much support for the idea. It was noted that it could be useful as a precautionary measure but that any such guideline should also allow for flexibility, recognizing that IPCC authorship is a voluntary effort.

The ExCom decided that current Working Group practices and processes for the management of non-contributions from Lead Authors and Review Editors on be shared among ExCom members. Based on this input the IPCC Secretariat together with the Working Groups and Technical Support Units would develop a proposal for common guidance to be discussed at the next Bureau session.

5.4 UNFCC/IPCC Retreat

The Secretary of the IPCC introduced a note prepared by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Secretariat on the planned UNFCCC/IPCC retreat. In the ensuing discussion it was noted that there was still a need to find a date suitable to all. It was also noted that the agenda should be primarily focused on the Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5°C related matters.

The Chair asked ExCom members to provide the IPCC Secretariat with written comments on the note by Wednesday 12th June 2018.

6. ANY OTHER MATTERS

The 62nd meeting of the ExCom will be held on Wednesday 4 July 2018 at 2:00 -3:30 pm CET.

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