

IPCC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – SIXTY-NINTH MEETING
Teleconference, Wednesday 4 September 2019 14.00-15.30 CET

CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS

Participants

Chair:

Hoesung Lee

Members:

Ko Barrett (IPCC Vice-Chair), Thelma Krug (IPCC Vice-Chair), Youba Sokona (IPCC Vice-Chair), Valérie Masson-Delmotte (WG I Co-Chair), Panmao Zhai (WG I Co-Chair), Debra Roberts (WG II Co-Chair), Priyadarshi Shukla (WG III Co-Chair), Jim Skea (WG III Co-Chair), Eduardo Calvo (TFI Co-Chair), Kiyoto Tanabe (TFI Co-Chair)

Excused members:

Joy Pereira (WG II Vice-Chair (Region V)), Hans-Otto Pörtner (WG II Co-Chair)

Advisory members:

Anna Pirani (WG I TSU Head), Melinda Tignor (WG II TSU Head), Katie Kissick (WG III TSU Head of Operations), Sandro Federici (TFI TSU Head), Abdalah Mokssit (IPCC Secretary)

IPCC Secretariat:

Jonathan Lynn (IPCC Head of Communications), Sophie Schlingemann (IPCC Legal Officer)

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The provisional agenda (EXCOM-LXIX/Doc.1, Rev. 1), as attached in Annex 1, was adopted in the understanding that one additional topic would be discussed under agenda item 5.2, namely the Working Groups Bureau members seating arrangement at the forthcoming approval session of the IPCC Special Report on the Ocean and Cryosphere in a Changing Climate (SROCC).

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, including sharing of information about events

The Head of Communications informed the ExCom of recent outreach and future activities, as attached in Annex 2, of which the ExCom took note.

3.2 IPCC Communication Materials

Some members expressed the wish to develop communication material based on IPCC reports that are easier to understand for a broader, often non-scientific public. Others cautioned that there should always be a quality control check done by the IPCC Communications Action Team (CAT) and relevant Co-Chairs. Furthermore the IPCC Secretary reminded the ExCom about paragraph 6, under the section 'Audiences' of the IPCC Communication Strategy that determines i.e., that derivative products, as developed by third parties, must not be considered joint productions or in

any other way as products of the IPCC. The IPCC Chair concluded that this topic of expansion of the communication activities should be brought to the Bureau for further discussion and possible refinement or revision of the Communication Strategy.

3.3 Official referencing of IPCC Special Reports

The Head of Communications informed the ExCom about progress on establishing a printer and publisher for the reports in the Sixth Assessment cycle, including official referencing and digital object identifiers (DOIs), as in the attached Annex 2.

3.4 Translation of IPCC Special Reports and glossaries

The Head of Communications informed the ExCom about progress on developing translations of the IPCC Special Reports, as in the attached Annex 2.

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 IPCC Secretary informed the ExCom of closed and pending claims as follows:

Since the last reporting, three error claims have been processed and the cases have since been closed. Four error claims on the IPCC Special Report on Climate Change and Land (SRCCL) have been reported since the 50th Session of the IPCC when the Special Report was adopted and approved by the Panel.

Pending error claims are summarized below.

Older Claims

- Error claims in FAQ 6.1, FAQ 6.2, FAQ 10.1, FAQ 10.2, FAQ 11.2, FAQ 12.3, FAQ 14.1 and FAQ 14.2 of WGI AR5
- Error claim in Chapter 3, Box 3.4 of the Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5 °C.
- Error claims in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories, Volume 4, Chapters 10, Tables 10.11, 10A.2, 10.4 and 10A.3

New Claims

- Error claim on Cross-Chapter Box 3: Fire and Climate in Chapter 2 of the SRCCL (**Claim # 214**).
- Error claim on the SRCCL. The statements should refer to Zhu et al. 2016 rather than Cao et al. 2016. The claimant believes the citation (Cao et al. 2016) is a mistake and should be removed (**Claim # 216**).
- The claimant suggests that based on information reported in the AR5 (Fischedick et al. 2014), the estimated total contribution to be roughly 15% of total anthropogenic emissions (Table 5.4). However, Table 5.4 seems to indicate that their total contribution is 5-10% (**Claim # 218**).
- The claimant mentions that the reference used in Chapter 4: Land Degradation to derive the proxy of land degradation present a mistake (Borelli et al. (2017) should be Borrelli et al. (2017)) and that their study is not currently listed in the References (**Claim # 222**).

The ExCom took note of the report and was requested to work towards the closure of the outstanding cases.

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 Update on AR6SYR

The IPCC Chair gave a briefing on the second Scoping Meeting for the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) Synthesis Report (SYR). Invitations were sent by the Secretariat to selected experts on 12 August 2019. On 19 September 2019 the 5th meeting of the Scientific Steering Committee for the scoping of the AR6 SYR (SSC) will be held in Monaco. The Secretariat will send the programme for the meeting to the SSC members.

5.2 Update on forthcoming meetings

The IPCC Secretary gave a briefing on the preparations and organization of the 51st Session of the IPCC which will be held in Monaco from 20 to 23 September 2019. He also informed the ExCom about the logistics for the forthcoming AR6 SYR Scoping Meeting, to be held in Singapore from 20 to 23 October 2019, after which the 57th Session of the IPCC Bureau will be held from 24 to 25 October 2019 at the same venue in Singapore. Furthermore he briefed the ExCom on the 52nd Session of the IPCC, expected to take place in the last week of February 2020 at a venue to be determined.

In addition the seating arrangement for the WGs Bureau members at the approval session of the SROCC in Monaco was discussed. Some of the ExCom members requested a block seating so that Working Group I and Working Group II Bureau members could sit together. The IPCC Chair mentioned that since the Secretariat is responsible for the organization of the Panel sessions, the IPCC Secretary would contact the relevant Co-Chairs and they would try to find the most convenient solution so that Working Group I and Working Group II Bureau members would get the option to sit together or with their national delegation.

6. ANY OTHER MATTERS

The Secretariat will send a doodle poll to establish the date and time for the next ExCom meeting, looking at the first week of October 2019.

The IPCC Chair closed the teleconference at 15:30h CET and thanked the participants for their contribution.

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Communications and outreach activities

Ongoing and planned activities

3.1 Ongoing and planned activities

1. SRCCL/P50
 - 8.8.19, Geneva – Press release, press conference, interviews
 - 8.8.19, Geneva – Presentation to Geneva diplomatic missions and NGOs
 - 8.8.19, Geneva – meeting with youth activists
 - Media coverage 8 August: 4,380 articles (1,198 unique headlines) in 95 countries and 22 languages (8-14 August: 7,520 articles, 2,363 unique headlines, 118 countries, 30 languages)
 - Social media 8 August: 8,435 mentions, 74.3m reached, 128,721 interactions (8-14 August: 39,766 mentions, 247m reached, 555,378 interactions)
 - Livestream: around 1,000 watched press conference on Facebook
 - 91 interviews
2. SROCC/P51
 - Media registration opening
 - TSU developing messaging with authors and media trainer
 - Planning for press conference and interviews on 25 September underway with Prince Albert II Foundation and government
 - Co-chairs authors to participate in Monaco conference and government press conferences on 25 September
 - Interview registration opening soon
 - Advance briefings in planning (one already in Berlin)
 - SROCC video advanced
3. SYR scoping, B57
 - Planning with Singapore government hosts to include:
 - o Media briefing before opening ceremony
 - o Symposium on evening of 23 October after scoping meeting
4. Activities since last meeting (as notified to Secretariat)
 - 3.7.19, Lausanne – World Conference of Science Journalists, Chair keynote/Q&A
 - 3.7.19, Birmingham – World Biogas Summit (WGIII TSU)
 - 10.7.19, Geneva – QUNO summer school, Secretary presentation
 - 14-19.7.19, Kathmandu – outreach around WGII LAM2
 - 16.7.19, New York – High-Level Political Forum on SDGs, Chair statement
 - 18.7.19, Geneva – ISMUN summer school, Deputy Secretary
 - 24-25.7.19, Luanda – Angola outreach (Thelma, Youba)
 - 25-26.7.19, Accra – West Africa Anglophone outreach (Debra, Youba, authors)
 - 21-22.8.19, Almaty – Central Asia outreach (Youba, Joy, authors)
 - 27.8.19, Geneva – Presentation to UN/Norway Oil for Development workshop
 - 28.8.19, Berlin – SROCC advance briefing
 - 29.8.19, Toulouse – Outreach event with Meteo France around WGI LAM3
 - 2.9.19, Stockholm – SRCCL presentation to Swedish Academy of Agriculture and Forestry (A Cowie, R Slade)

5. Forthcoming activities

- Scheduled
 - 4.9.19, London – SRCCL presentation at FAIRR (investor initiative looking at environment, social and corporate governance issues in intensive livestock production) (author)
 - 5.9.19, New Delhi – SRCCL special event at UNCCD COP (Jim, authors) (will include launch of SRCCL video trailer)
 - 5.9.19, New Delhi – SRCCL presentations at UNCCD COP (authors)
 - 9.9.19, New Delhi – UNCCD COP ministerial (Hoesung)
 - 11.9.19, London – SROCC preview at International Chamber of Shipping conference (author)
 - 21-25.9.19, New York – Climate Week incl UN SG Climate Action Summit 23.9.19 (Thelma, authors)
 - 30.9.19, Berlin – Marine Regions Forum (Hans, authors)
 - 1.10.19, Washington DC – SROCC presentation (Ko, authors)
 - 3-4.10.19, Umeå – EU Arctic Forum (Hans)
 - 5.10.19, Manchester – Economist forum (Hoesung)
 - 7.10.19, Vienna – IAEA conference on climate change and nuclear power (Hoesung)
 - 16-17.10.19, Hong Kong – Hong Kong outreach event (Hans, Panmao)
 - 26.10.19, Kuala Lumpur – Malaysia outreach event (Hoesung, Valerie, Jim, Joy, authors)
 - 12-13.11.19, Malaga – Climate Forum (Diana)
- Planned
 - 7-9.10.19, Addis Ababa – African Climate Risks Conference (authors)
- Outreach activities (under discussion)
 - Bangladesh/India/Nepal
 - Honduras

6. Other press releases etc

16.8.19 – statement on SRCCL FGD leak
14.8.19 – Programme officer, TFI TSU
28.8.19 – Juraj Farkas obituary
29.8.14 – statement on SROCC FGD leak

7. Media training

- Webinars held for SRCCL and SROCC authors in July and September
- Onsite training held for AR6 WGI LAM3 in Toulouse

8. COP25 pavilion

- WMO not participating
- Request submitted to COP25 organizers
- May be scaled up depending on support from UNFCCC and others
- Vice-chairs held initial planning meetings for programme during P50 in Geneva

3.2 IPCC Communication Materials

(Co-Chairs/Vice-Chairs proposal)

3.3 Official referencing of IPCC Special Reports

The WMO procurement department have confirmed that the contract with the eventual supplier printing and publishing the reports will include official referencing (DOIs).

The WMO Procurement and Contracts Committee (PCC) met on 7 August to consider the report of the Technical Evaluation Board that had reviewed bids in the tender. It agreed to make a recommendation to the WMO Secretary-General on this basis. He has signed off on the recommendation and the procurement department has now written to the proposed vendor and is awaiting their reply before communicating the official result to us.

In the meantime the selected vendor has indicated it can manage the DOIs, including at the level of individual chapters etc.

3.4 Translation of IPCC Special Reports and glossaries

- SR 1.5 Summary Volume

- WMO has completed the Summary volumes in all UN languages. The PDF files will be sent to the WGI TSU for posting on line today (4 September).

- SRCCL SPM

- The draft glossary was translated into UN languages and revised by the expert in Arabic, French, Russian and Spanish before IPCC-50. Note: the revised version in Chinese has not yet been delivered.

WMO is translating the SPM now and translations will be ready for the expert review on 13 September. WG3 TSU informed that the experts will return the text revised on 10 October. The preparation of the final layout of the SPM brochure will start after translators analyze the changes suggested by the experts. Pending: acknowledgements of the SPM brochure, TSU should send the text for translation asap.

- SROCC draft glossary

- The WMO translators have completed the translations in all WMO languages and the experts have reviewed them. The translators are now analysing the suggested changes.