

IPCC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – SEVENTIETH MEETING
Meeting with access for remote participation, 4 December 2019, Madrid

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 (WGI Co-Chair), Debra Roberts (WG II Co-Chair), Hans-Otto Pörtner (WG II Co-Chair), Jim Skea (WGIII 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), Katie Kissick* (WGIII TSU Head of Operations), Raphael Slade (WG III TSU Head of Science), Sandro Federici (TFI TSU Head), Abdalah Mokssit (IPCC Secretary)

IPCC Secretariat:

Jesbin Baidya, Laura Biagioni, Jonathan Lynn (IPCC Head of Communications), Nina Peeva

Technical Support Units:

Elvira Poloczanska

(*joining remotely)

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The provisional agenda (EXCOM-LXX/Doc.1, Rev.2), 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.

3. COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

3.1 Ongoing and planned activities, including:

- Publication of the SR15 Report
- Informal Bureau group on publications
- Allocation of DOI numbers and open access translations

J. Lynn, Head of Communications, informed the ExCom of ongoing and planned communications activities, as outlined in Annex 2, and highlighted the establishment of the IPCC-WMO Science Pavilion thanks to the generous support of the Government of Chile, Chilean foundation Filantropía Cortés Solari, and the UNFCCC. Among the many people who contributed to the success of this project, which has raised the visibility of the IPCC at COP 25, are the three IPCC Vice-Chairs, who

served as a scientific steering committee to develop the programme of events, and Secretariat staff J. Baidya and N. Peeva, who worked tirelessly to overcome practical obstacles.

ExCom members thanked all concerned for contributing to the successful establishment of the pavilion and its programme.

The ExCom took note of the communications report.

Mr Lynn reported that a proposal on enhanced communications materials for outreach had been submitted to the Bureau. Pending a final decision by the Bureau on this, a proposal to develop materials for a series of outreach events in Africa had been developed and approved by the Working Group Co-Chairs. The Co-Chairs will now scope these materials, and the UN Foundation will prepare them, submitting them to the Co-Chairs for review before completing them for final sign-off.

The ExCom reviewed options for publication, including minting Digital Object Identifiers (DOIs) for the three Special Reports and their component parts. The ExCom considered factors such as the time required by different providers, printing and publishing options, costs, the quality and other services offered by different providers, and the possible contribution of the TSUs in facilitating a solution. Members noted that the ExCom cannot commit national funders of TSUs to any funding, and that any solution must not compromise the scientific credibility of the IPCC.

The ExCom invited the Secretariat to develop some options further in cooperation with the Working Group Technical Support Units, and in consultation with WMO.

3.2 UNFCCC COP-25 Pavilion

This topic was discussed under agenda item 3.1 (see above).

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 Secretary of the IPCC informed the ExCom of closed and pending claims, and urged Working Groups to address the claims as soon as possible.

Members informed the ExCom of progress in addressing some claims.

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 Proposal to allocate time for updates on cross WG coordination in a structured and systematic manner during ExCom meetings

The ExCom noted that the proposal would need discussion among Working Group Co-Chairs first before being tabled to ExCom.

6. ANY OTHER MATTERS

6.1 Secretariat staffing

The ExCom noted the need to fill the newly vacant post of legal officer as soon as possible and to expedite the contract for the extension of the IPCC Senior Communications Manager. The ExCom urged the Secretariat to take immediate actions on the secretariat staffing.

6.2 Next meeting of the ExCom

The Secretariat will determine the date of the next meeting in the New Year.

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Communications and outreach activities

Ongoing and planned activities

1. SROCC/P51

- 25.9.19, Monaco – press release (6 languages), press conference, interviews
- 25.9.19, Monaco – presentation to Monaco/France/Italy stakeholders and public
- Media coverage 6,060 articles, 122 countries, 32 languages (25 Sept), 8,870 articles (25 Sept-1 Oct)
- SROCC 7402 articles 1st two days vs 5862 for SRCCL – benefiting from greater awareness of climate change from UN Climate Summit
- Social media 25,135 Twitter mentions, 76.6m people reached, 254,535 social media interactions (likes, shares etc) on 25 Sept-1 Oct
- 108 media interviews on 25 Sept

2. SYR scoping meeting/B57

- 21.10.19, Singapore – media briefing, press release
- 23.10.19, Singapore – public symposium at Singapore Management University

3. COP25 planning

- SBSTA/IPCC special events on SRCCL and SROCC 4/5 Dec
- IPCC side event Science for Policymaking 4 Dec
- TFI side event 5 Dec
- IPCC press conference 4 Dec
- Pavilion funded through Chilean government, shared with WMO, programme being developed with Working Groups and Vice-Chairs

4. Activities since the last meeting (4 September) (as notified, apologies any omissions)

- 5.9.19, New Delhi – SRCCL briefing to UNCCD COP14 (Jim, authors)
- 9.9.19, New Delhi – UNCCD COP14 ministerial (Hoesung)
- 23.9.19, New York – UN climate summit (Thelma)
- 25.9.19, New York – Blue leaders event (Thelma)
- 30.9.19, Berlin – Marine Regions Forum (Hans, authors)
- 1.10.19, Washington – SROCC presentation (Ko, authors)
- 3.10.19, Rome – SRCCL presentation to FAO (Hoesung)
- 3-4.10.19, Umeå – EU Arctic Forum (Hans)
- 5.10.19, Manchester – Economist Open Future Forum (Hoesung)
- 7.10.19, Vienna – Int'l Conf'ce on CC and Nuclear Power (Hoesung)
- 7.10.19, Addis Ababa – Africa Climate Risks Conference (authors)
- 8.10.19, Berlin – German SROCC presentation (Hans)
- 14.10.19, Geneva – Francophone African media conference (Abdalah)
- 15.10.19, Tokyo – Japan SROCC presentation (Hans)
- 16-17.10.19, Hong Kong – Hong Kong outreach event (Hans, Panmao)
- 23.10.19, Oslo – Our Ocean Conference (Hans)
- 26.10.19, Kuala Lumpur – Malaysia outreach event (Hoesung, Valerie, Jim, Joy)
- 28.10.19, Bangkok – UN ESCAP/FAO outreach event (Jim, authors)
- 28.10.19, Stockholm – SROCC seminar (authors)
- 28.10.19, Husum – Husum Coast and Prevention 2019 (Hans)

- 6.11.19, Brussels – European Parliament Environment Committee (Hans, Jim, authors)
- 6.11.19, Canberra – GEO week/ministerial (Thelma)
- 7.11.19, Berlin – World Ocean Review launch: Arctic and Antarctic (Hans)
- 7-8.11.19, Hyderabad – India regional outreach event (authors)
- 8.11.19, Berlin – Humboldt for the future lecture (Hans)
- 11.11.19, Brussels – European Parliament Fisheries Committee (Hans)
- 12.11.19, London – International Maritime Organization (Hans)
- 14.11.19, Berlin – German Foreign Ministry COP briefing (Hans)
- 14-15.11.19, Calcutta – India regional outreach event (authors)
- 14-15.11.19, Suva – IPCC Pacific workshop (Joy, authors)
- 19.11.19, Brussels – German Permanent Representation event on Ocean and Cryosphere (Hans)

5. Other forthcoming activities

- 4.12.19, Naples – SROCC presentation to Barcelona Convention COP21 (authors)

6. Other press releases etc

- 26.9.19 – IPCC Working Group III meets in India to further preparations of Sixth Assessment Report
- Oct.19 – Director of Communications and Outreach in the TSU (WGII)
- Oct. 19 – Science Officer in the TSU (WGII)
- 11.10.19 – Registration opens for Expert Review of IPCC Working Group II contribution to Sixth Assessment Report
- 14.10.19 – Results of the Fifth Round of the IPCC Scholarship Awards