

IPCC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH MEETING
Teleconference, 4 May 2022

CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS

Participants

Chair:

Hoesung Lee

Members:

Ko Barrett (IPCC Vice-Chair), Youba Sokona (IPCC Vice-Chair), Valérie Masson-Delmotte (WGI Co-Chair), Panmao Zhai (WGI Co-Chair), Hans Pörtner (WGII Co-Chair), Debra Roberts (WGII Co-Chair), Jim Skea (WGIII Co-Chair), Joy Pereira (WGII Vice-Chair), Eduardo Calvo (TFI Co-Chair), Kiyoto Tanabe (TFI Co-Chair).

Advisory members:

Anna Pirani (WGI TSU Head), Melinda Tignor (WG II TSU Head), Sandro Federici (TFI TSU Head), Noemie Leprince-Ringuet (SYR TSU Head), Abdalah Mokssit (IPCC Secretary).

IPCC Secretariat:

Ermira Fida (Deputy Secretary), Andrej Mahecic (Head of Communications), Jennifer Lew Schneider (Legal Officer), Jonathan Lynn, Mxolisi Shongwe, Jesbin Baidya, Laura Biagioni, Nina Peeva, Melissa Walsh, Joelle Fernandez.

Invited:

Elvira Poloczanska (TSU WGII), Joanna Post (UNFCCC).

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The provisional agenda (EXCOM-CIV/Doc.1) as attached in Annex 1 was adopted with two additional agenda items: COVID-19 safety measures and the implementation of an ad-hoc coordination team to build from the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) physical and remote approval sessions under Any Other Matters.

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

2.1 Coronavirus related issues: Impact on AR6 schedules and products

The Secretary noted there were no activities to report in this agenda item.

3. COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

3.1 Ongoing and planned activities

The Head of Communications updated the ExCom on the ongoing and planned activities as summarised in the written report sent to ExCom prior to the meeting.

There has been continued media engagement and interest from the Working Group II and III reports and preparations for communications have commenced on the Synthesis Report.

The ExCom took note on the update on communications.

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 Secretariat informed the ExCom that since the last reporting to ExCom-103, four new error claims have been received but not yet closed. 83 cases have been processed but not yet closed.

The Chair requested relevant Technical Support Units to address the claims.

The ExCom took note of the Error Protocol report.

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 forthcoming meetings

- **Update by the Secretariat on the preparations for the 61st Session of the IPCC Bureau**

The Secretary updated the ExCom on the preparations for the 61st Session of the IPCC Bureau.

The 61st Session of the IPCC Bureau will be held on 16-17 May in a virtual format. Invitation letters have been sent to Bureau members and Government representatives on 1 April 2022. Documents have been posted on the Bureau portal.

- **Update by the Secretariat on the preparations for the 57th Session of the IPCC and 57th (bis) Session of the IPCC**

The Secretary informed the ExCom that the 57th Session of the IPCC (IPCC-57) will be held in person from 26 to 30 September 2022 at CIGG in Geneva, Switzerland. Invitations will be sent before the end of the month. The press conference for the Synthesis Report will be held on Monday 3 October 2022.

He noted that the CIGG would be hosting another meeting at the same time as IPCC-57. Therefore, the Secretariat is still negotiating the facilities for the IPCC-57(bis) to co-habit the venue with the other organization. The main agenda for IPCC-57(bis) session will be the Ad-hoc group on the Size, Structure and Composition of the IPCC Bureau and any Task Force Bureau for the seventh assessment cycle to present its progress report. He highlighted that the structure and timing of the meetings would allow contact groups to be held in the main plenary room during the long break between meetings.

The latest version of the Conference Checklist for both sessions have been communicated to CIGG and the Swiss Focal Point. Preparation will start once the contract is signed and the venue is confirmed.

The ExCom took note on the update on the preparations for forthcoming meetings.

6. ANY OTHER MATTERS

6.1 Update on the IPCC activities in the UNFCCC Subsidiary Bodies (6 - 16 June 2022)

The Secretary updated the ExCom on a meeting with the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Secretariat on 21 April aiming to discuss the IPCC participation at the upcoming UNFCCC Subsidiary Session to take place physically from 6-16 June 2022 in Bonn, Germany. A document outlining the schedule of mandated events has been sent by email.

Ms Joanna Post, UNFCCC representative, briefed the ExCom on the schedule of events at the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA). The IPCC Secretary is expected to give a statement at SBSTA opening plenary on Monday 6 June. The Working Group II presentation will be held on 6-7 June; Working Group III will present in two parts on Wednesday, 8 June. All Working Groups will be involved in the research dialogue. The global stocktake dialogue opens in the afternoon on Thursday, 9 June, with the Chair planned to give a statement on solutions.

The ExCom took note of the report.

6.2 Safety standards for COVID

The Secretary responded to Working Group II Co-Chairs regarding the concerns expressed on the level of health security at the Third Core Writing Team meeting (CWT-3) of the Synthesis Report (SYR) held in person in Dublin from 25 to 28 April 2022. He noted that if there is any need for improvement, it will be taken into consideration to ensure the safety and health of each participant.

The Secretary stated that the Secretariat would ensure that all IPCC meetings will be handled under strict conditions and follow the venue guidelines.

The Co-Chair of the Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (TFI) stated that the upcoming meetings of the TFI will ensure COVID safety measures are in place.

The ExCom took note of the report.

6.3 Implementation of an Ad-hoc Coordination Team to build from AR6 physical and remote approval sessions

On the request for an ad-hoc team for coordination, the Chair stated that an additional structure was not needed, as he had already indicated in the SYR Scientific Steering Committee (SSC) meeting when a similar request for a co-ordination team was made at the SYR SSC meeting during the third Core Writing Team Meeting. He confirmed the roles of the Co-Chairs. Throughout the approval process, he will consult with IPCC Vice-Chairs and Co-Chairs and use the full capacity of the IPCC Bureau Members. The SYR report will be based on Working Group findings, and when specific Working Group information is critical, it is no doubt the relevant and best experts, e.g. the Working Group Co-Chairs, will be called upon. The Working Group findings will be the key to the SYR and Summary for Policymakers (SPM). The Chair will assess the supporting capacities of the TSUs for the approval session.

The ExCom took note of the report.

- **The next meeting of the ExCom**

The Secretary confirmed a Doodle poll for the next meeting of ExCom will be sent for the first Wednesday of May 2022.

The meeting concluded at 15:30.

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