

# Introduction to the IPCC

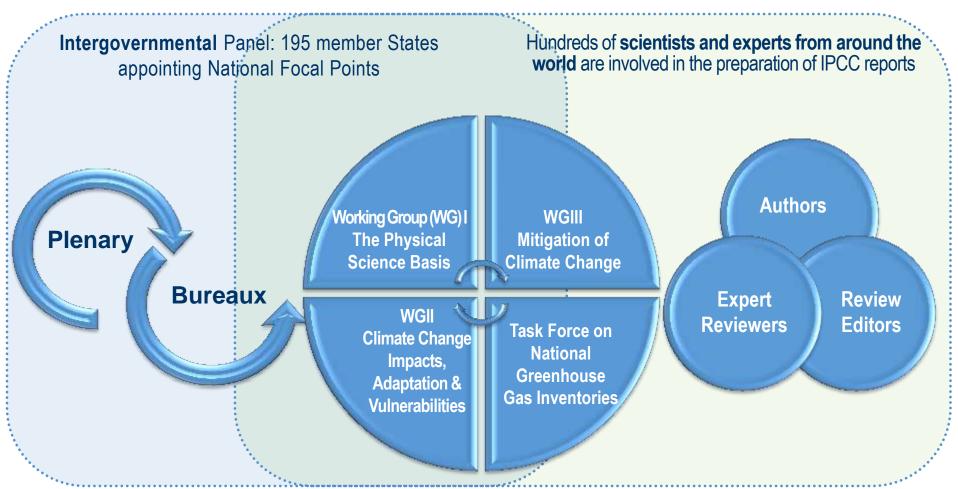
Abdalah Mokssit Secretary of the IPCC Marrakesh, 10 November 2016





# **Science/Policy Interface**

IPCC – jointly established by WMO and UNEP, action endorsed by the UN General Assembly







## The role of the IPCC is ...

"... to assess on a comprehensive, objective, open and transparent basis the scientific, technical and socio-economic information relevant to understanding the scientific basis of risk of human-induced climate change, its potential impacts and options for adaptation and mitigation."

"IPCC reports should be neutral with respect to policy, although they may need to deal objectively with scientific, technical and socio-economic factors relevant to the application of particular policies."

Principles Governing IPCC Work, paragraph 2
Source: http://www.ipcc.ch/pdf/ipcc-principles/ipcc-principles.pdf





# **IPCC** Reports

Five assessment reports (1990, 1995, 2001, 2007, 2013-14)

1992 supplementary report and 1994 special report

Nine special reports (1997, 1999, 2000, 2005, 2011, 2012)

Guidelines for national GHG inventories, good practice guidance (1995, 1996, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2013)

Six technical papers (1996-2008)

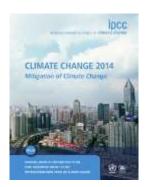


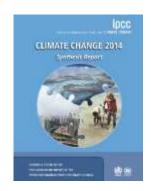
**CLIMATE CHANGE 2014** 

## **Achievements: 2013/2014 Fifth Assessment Report**









#### Key messages

Human influence on the climate system is clear

The more we disrupt our climate, the more we risk severe, pervasive and irreversible impacts

We have the means to limit climate change and build a more prosperous, sustainable future





# What are IPCC reports used for?







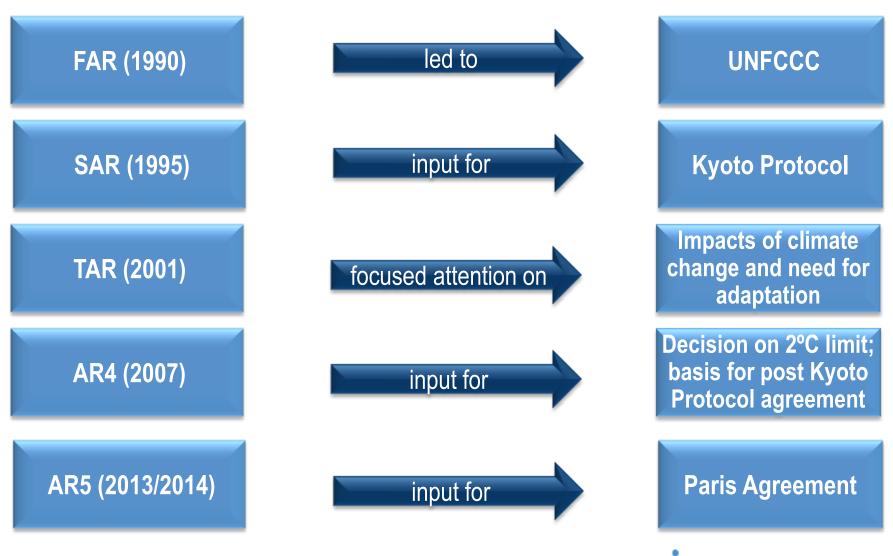








# **Achievements: The Assessment Reports**







# **IPCC** and the Paris Agreement 2015





Some decisions of COP-21 and CMP-11 and conclusions of SBSTA-43 mention the IPCC explicitly

Several other decisions of COP-21 are relevant to the work of the IPCC

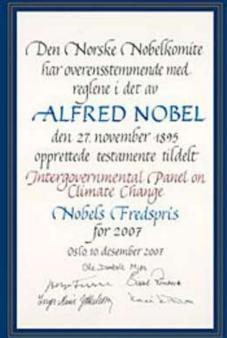
IPCC has an institutional role in the implementation of the Paris Agreement





## **Achievements: 2007 Nobel Peace Prize**







The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and Albert Arnold (Al) Gore Jr. were awarded the Nobel Peace Prize

"for their efforts to build up and disseminate greater knowledge about man-made climate change, and to lay the foundations for the measures that are needed to counteract such change".

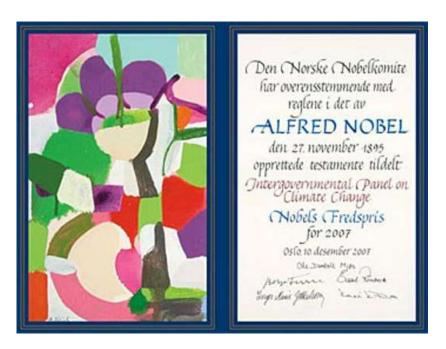




# **IPCC Scholarship Programme**



The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) developed its scholarship programme after receiving the Nobel Peace Prize in December 2007



The IPCC Scholarship Programme









## Other Activities and Achievements

National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (Publication of IPCC Methodology Reports)



Task Group on Data and Scenario Support for Impact and Climate Analysis (TGICA): facilitates distribution and application of climate change related data and scenarios)



Organizing expert meetings and workshops to facilitate discussion on topics relevant to the Assessment process







## **Some IPCC Outreach Activities**







## What is next for the IPCC?

#### **IPCC Decision XLIII-5**

"To take the outcomes of the 21st Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) into consideration when determining the IPCC programme of work and products for the sixth IPCC assessment cycle"

### **AR6 cycle Special Reports on**



impacts of global warming of **1.5 °C** above pre-industrial levels and related global greenhouse gas emission pathways by 2018



Climate change and oceans and the cryosphere



Climate change, desertification, land degradation, sustainable land management, food security, and greenhouse gas fluxes in terrestrial ecosystems





# What is next for the IPCC? (cont.)

#### **AR6 Main Report**



Expected to be released in three working group contributions in 2020/2021 and a **Synthesis Report** in 2022

#### **Methodology Report update**



Methodology Report on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories by 2019

#### Cities



Attention on cities in AR6 including a conference and special report on cities in AR7







# Keep informed - be involved



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