

THIRTY- NINTH MEETING OF THE IPCC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

19 May 2016, 09h00 (CET), Bonn, Germany

CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS

Participants:

Members:

E. Calvo; H. Lee; V. Masson-Delmotte; H. Pörtner; D. Roberts ; P. Shukla (teleconference); J. Skea; Y. Sokona; K. Tanabe; P. Zhai; T. Krug.

Advisory Members:

M. Sivakumar; A. Pirani; M.Tignor.

Apologies:

K. Barrett; J. Pereira.

Secretariat:

C.Martin-Novella.

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The Provisional Agenda (EXCOM-XXXIX/Doc.1), as attached in Annex 1, was adopted without any changes.

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

- 2.1. Schedule and arrangements for the scoping the Special Report on the impacts of global warming of 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels and related global greenhouse gas emission pathways, in the context of strengthening the global response to the threat of climate change, sustainable development and efforts to eradicate poverty. Follow up to the 43rd Session of the IPCC. Schedule for the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6)**

The Executive Committee agreed on the following schedule for the scoping of this Special report:

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| • Decision on scoping nominations | Last week of June 2016 |
| • Sending out invitation for the scoping meeting | First week of July 2016 |
| • Scoping meeting | 15-18 August 2016 |
| • IPCC approval of the scoping outline | 17-20 October 2016 |

The Executive Committee also agreed on the Terms of Reference for a Steering Committee for the scoping of this Special Report as attached in Annex 2.

The Secretariat was requested to finalize, in consultation with the Technical Support Units the detailed schedule for the adoption/acceptance of this Special Report.

2.2. Schedule and arrangements for the scoping of the Special Report on climate change, desertification, land degradation, sustainable land management, food security, and greenhouse gas fluxes in terrestrial ecosystems.

The Executive Committee confirmed that the scope outline for this Special Report will be submitted for consideration by the Panel at its 45th Session in April 2017. It was also agreed that the Special Report will be transmitted for consideration by the Panel at its 50th Session in September 2019. Working Group III will take the lead in the scoping and drafting of this Special Report, subject to agreement about the schedule for producing the report and its interaction with the schedule for producing the WG-III report. The IPCC Secretariat was requested to transmit, for consideration by the ExCom, the draft Terms of Reference for a Steering Committee for the scoping of this Special Report.

The Secretariat was requested to finalize, in consultation with the Technical Support Units, the detailed schedule for the adoption/acceptance of this Special Report.

2.3. Schedule and arrangements for scoping the Special Report on climate change and oceans and the cryosphere.

The Executive Committee agreed that the scope outline for this Special Report will be submitted for consideration by the Panel at its 45th Session in April 2017. It was also agreed that the Special Report will be transmitted for consideration by the Panel at its 50th Session in September 2019. Working Group II will take the lead in the scoping and drafting of this Special Report. The Secretariat was requested to transmit, for consideration by the ExCom draft Terms of Reference for a Steering Committee for the scoping of this Special Report.

The Secretariat was requested to finalize, in consultation with the Technical Support Units, the detailed schedule for the adoption/acceptance of this Special Report.

2.4. Schedule and arrangements for scoping the Methodology Report on Greenhouse Gas Inventories.

The Executive Committee agreed on the following schedule for the Methodology Report(s):

- Call for nomination of Experts to participate in the Scoping Meeting May 2016
- Decision on scoping nominations June 2016
- Scoping Meeting August 2016
- IPCC approval of the scoping outline October 2016
- Call for nomination of Authors November 2016
- Decision on selection of Authors February 2017
- First Lead Authors meeting June 2017
- Science meeting August 2017
- Second Lead Authors meeting September 2017
- First Order Draft (Expert Review) December 2017- January 2018
- Science meeting March 2018
- Third Lead Authors meeting April 2018
- Second Order Draft (Government and Experts Review) July-August 2018
- Fourth Lead Authors meeting October 2018
- Final Government Distribution (Government Review) January-February 2019
- IPCC adoption/acceptance of the Methodology Report(s) May 2019

2.5. Schedule and arrangements for the scoping of the Sixth Assessment Report.

The Executive Committee agreed on the following schedule for the scoping and adoption/ approval of the Sixth Assessment Report:

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| • Call for nomination of Experts to participate in the Scoping Meeting | September 2016 |
| • IPCC AR6 Scoping Meeting | May 2017 |
| • IPCC approval of the AR6 outline | October 2017 |
| • Acceptance/adoption/approval of WGI contribution | February 2021 |
| • Acceptance/adoption/approval of WGIII contribution | June 2021 |
| • Acceptance/adoption/approval of WGII contribution | October 2021 |
| • Acceptance/adoption/approval of Synthesis Report | April 2022 (pending relevant decisions on scoping). |

The Secretariat was requested to finalize, in consultation with the Technical Support Units, the detailed schedule for the adoption/acceptance of this Special Report.

2.6. Modalities for addressing and enhancing the treatment of regional issues in the scoping process for the Sixth Assessment Report

The Executive Committee had a preliminary exchange of views on this matter and agreed that this will be determined in the process of the scoping the Sixth Assessment Report.

3. COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

3.1. Overview of ongoing and planned communication and outreach activities

Consideration of this matter was referred to the 40th meeting of the ExCom.

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

4.1. Update on the implementation of the Error Protocol

Consideration of this matter was referred to the 40th meeting of the ExCom.

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. International scientific conference on climate change and cities.

The Executive Committee had a preliminary exchange of views on this matter and agreed that, pending a decision from the Panel, this co-sponsored workshop could be held by the end of 2017 or beginning of 2018, in collaboration with UN-HABITAT and other relevant stakeholders.

6. ANY OTHER MATTERS

The Chair of the IPCC requested the Secretariat to clarify the seating arrangements for members of the Bureau at sessions of the Panel and of the IPCC Bureau.

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Bonn, Germany, 19 May 2016**

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Agenda Item: 1
ENGLISH ONLY

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

(Submitted by the Acting Secretary of the IPCC)

- 1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**
- 2. URGENT ISSUES RELATED TO IPCC PRODUCTS AND PROGRAMME OF WORK THAT REQUIRE PROMPT ATTENTION BY THE IPCC BETWEEN PANEL SESSIONS**
 - 2.1. Schedule and arrangements for scoping the Special Report on the impacts of global warming of 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels and related global greenhouse gas emission pathways, in the context of strengthening the global response to the threat of climate change, sustainable development and efforts to eradicate poverty.
 - 2.2. Schedule and arrangements for scoping the Special Report on climate change, desertification, land degradation, sustainable land management, food security, and greenhouse gas fluxes in terrestrial ecosystems.
 - 2.3. Schedule and arrangements for scoping the Special Report on climate change and oceans and the cryosphere.
 - 2.4. Schedule and arrangements for scoping the Methodology Report on Greenhouse Gas Inventories.
 - 2.5. Schedule and arrangements for scoping the Sixth Assessment Report.
 - 2.6. Modalities for addressing and enhancing the treatment of regional issues in the scoping process for the Sixth Assessment Report.
- 3. COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES**
 - 3.1. Overview of ongoing and planned communication and outreach activities
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6. ANY OTHER MATTERS

Steering Committee for the scoping of the Special Report on "The impacts of global warming of 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels and related global greenhouse gas emission pathways in the context of strengthening the global response to the threat of climate change, sustainable development and efforts to eradicate poverty" (SR 1.5)

Mandate

Introduction

In Paragraph 2 of Decision IPCC/XLIII-6 on the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) Products - Special Reports- the Panel decided that:

"2. In the context of the Paris Agreement, to accept the invitation from the UNFCCC to provide a special report in 2018 on the impacts of global warming of 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels and related global greenhouse gas emission pathways, and decides to prepare a Special Report on this topic in the context of strengthening the global response to the threat of climate change, sustainable development and efforts to eradicate poverty"

The Special Report will be developed under the joint scientific leadership of Working Groups I, II and III with support from WGI TSU.

The Chair of the IPCC herein establishes a Steering Committee to undertake the scoping of the special report with the following composition and mandate:

Composition of the Steering Committee:

- Ms Valerie Masson-Delmotte (Co-chair of Working Group I)
- Mr Panmao Zhai (Co-chair of Working Group I)
- Mr Hans-Otto Portner (Co-chair of Working Group II)
- Ms Debra Roberts (Co-chair of Working Group II)
- Mr Jim Skea (Co-chair of Working Group III)
- Mr Priyadarshi Shukla (Co-chair of Working Group III)
- Mr Kiyoto Tanabe (Co-chair of TFB)
- Mr Eduardo Calvo (Co-chair of TFB)

The Steering Committee may invite additional members after consultations with leading scientific bodies

The Steering Committee will be chaired by Ms Thelma

Mandate

1. To propose by 24 June a list of experts to be invited to participate in the Scoping Meeting to be held on 15-18 August 2016 in Geneva to be submitted to the Bureau(x) for decision. This proposal should be prepared on the basis of nominations received from member States, observer organizations and members of the Bureau.

2. To prepare the draft agenda for the Scoping Meeting to be held on 15-18 August 2016.
3. To prepare the necessary documentation to inform the Scoping Meeting.
4. To prepare a document with the outcomes of the Scoping Meeting to be transmitted, through the Secretariat, to the 52nd Session of the Bureau and the 44th Session of the Panel for their consideration.
