



IPCC Special Report on the Ocean and Cryosphere in a Changing Climate (SROCC)

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BACKGROUND SROCC

- IPCC invited proposals (July 2015) for Special Reports to be prepared and concluded during AR6 cycle
 - 7 proposals related ocean and cryosphere
- IPCC Panel agreed (43rd Session, April 2016) to consider a Special Report on Climate Change and the Ocean and Cryosphere
- Joint scientific leadership by WGI (Physical Science Basis) and WGII (Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability)



SCOPING SROCC

- Outline developed at Scoping Meeting in Monaco (December 2016)
- 62 experts were invited to discuss all aspects of the scope, outline, and contents of the report
- Outline agreed and adopted by IPCC Panel in April 2017





SROCC

- Provide a focussed cross-cutting assessment of:
 - The role of ocean and cryosphere in the climate system observed and projected changes in oceans and cryosphere
 - Risks, vulnerability, impacts and implications of climate-related ocean and cryosphere change for eco- and human systems
 - Resilience pathways and adaptation options
- Present new and updated information for decision-makers to inform the design and implementation of appropriate policies and actions.



SROCC OUTLINE

- 1. Framing and Context of the Report
- 2. High Mountain Areas
- 3. Polar Regions
- 4. Sea level rise and implications for low lying islands, coasts and communities
- 5. Changing ocean, marine ecosystems, and dependent communities
- 6. Extremes, abrupt changes and managing risks
- + Cross-chapter box: Low lying islands and coasts







SROCC TIMELINE

OCT 2-6 Oct First Lead Author Meeting. 1 December DEC Internal Draft submitted to TSU 2017 4 - 8 December TSU compile Internal Draft 11 December - 19 January 2018 Internal Review 26 January JAN TSU send compiled review comments to CLAs 12-16 Feb FEB Second Lead Author Meeting 20 April First Order Draft submitted to TSU 23 - 30 April TSU compile First Order Draft 2018 MAY 4 May - 29 June Expert Review of First Order Draft JUL 6 July TSU send compiled review comments to CLAs 23 - 28 July 18 January Third Lead Author Meeting TSU send compiled review comments to CLAs 15 October cut-off date for submitted papers MAR 4-9 March 19 October Fourth Lead Author Meeting Second Order Draft submitted to TSU MAY 15 May 22 October - 12 November cut-off date for accepted papers 2019 31 May NOV 16 November - 11 January 2019 Final Draft submitted to TSU Expert and Government Review of Second Order Draft 3 - 10 June JUN TSU compile Final Draft 14 June - 9 August 2019 final government review SEP 16-20 September 2019 51st Session of the IPCC: Approval of the Summary for Policymakers, accepting the underlying Report





REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN TO PARTICIPATE IN EXPERT AND GOVERNMENT REVIEW





The WGII (Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability) Contribution to the IPCC Sixth Assessment Cycle (AR6)

Co-Chairs' overarching goals

- storyline from climate to natural systems to human societies, their response options, the associated feedback potential
- framework that incorporates risk reduction through adaptation and mitigation
- wider use of social sciences (incl. anthropology and psychology)
 for adaptation (lifestyle choices: decision making, behaviour, consumption, technologies, societal inertia and transformation)
- address tradeoffs and synergies between climate change adaptation and mitigation link to policy goals (e.g., SDGs, poverty reduction, biodiversity)
- Focus on solutions







Working Group II Outline

Chapter 1: Point of departure and key concepts

SECTION 1: RISKS, ADAPTATION AND SUSTAINABILITY FOR SYSTEMS IMPACTED BY CLIMATE CHANGE

Chapter 2: Terrestrial and freshwater ecosystems and their services

Chapter 3: Ocean and coastal ecosystems and their services

Chapter 4: Water

Chapter 5: Food, fibre, and other ecosystem products

Chapter 6: Cities, settlements and key infrastructure

Chapter 7: Health, wellbeing and the changing structure of communities

Chapter 8: Poverty, livelihoods and sustainable development







Working Group II Outline (cont'd)

SECTION 2: REGIONS

Chapter 9: Africa

Chapter 10: Asia

Chapter 11: Australasia

Chapter 12: Central and South America

Chapter 13: Europe

Chapter 14: North America

Chapter 15: Small Islands

SECTION 3: SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PATHWAYS: INTEGRATING ADAPTATION AND MITIGATION

Chapter 16: Key risks across sectors and regions

Chapter 17: Decision-making options for managing risk

Chapter 18: Climate resilient development pathways







Working Group II Outline (cont'd)

CROSS CHAPTER PAPERS

Biodiversity hotspots (land, coasts and oceans)

Cities and settlements by the sea

Deserts, semi-arid areas, and desertification

Mediterranean region

Mountains

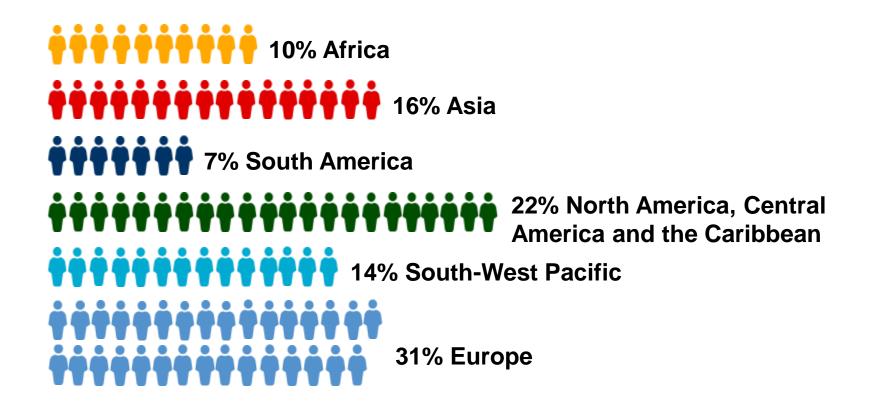
Polar regions

Tropical forests





Authors by region (citizenship)







IPCC WGII Timeline



27 - 31 January 2020 JAN Third Lead Author Meeting (Faro, Portugal)

26 June 2020 JUN cut-off date for submitted papers

JUL 10 July 2020 Second Order Draft submitted to TSU 13 July - 6 August 2020 TSU compile Second Order Draft

AUG 7 August - 2 October 2020

Expert and Government Review of Second Order Draft 9 October 2020 OCT

TSU send compiled review comments to CLAs (date tbc) NOV 2 - 6 November 2020

Fourth Lead Author Meeting (Cuba, location tbc)

MAY 14 May 2021 cut-off date for accepted papers 28 May 2021 Final Government Draft submitted to TSU 31 May - 10 June 2021 TSU compile Final Government Draft 11 June - 6 August 2021 Final Government Draft Review

4 - 8 October 2021 OCT

> 55th Session of the IPCC: Approval of the Summary for Policymakers, accepting the underlying Report (date tbc)







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