



INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON CLIMATE CHANGE



No.4996-09/IPCC/AR5

To the Executive Heads of
International and other Organizations

Geneva, 29 April 2009

Sir/Madam,

In its consideration of the scoping of the 5th Assessment Report (AR5) the Panel at its 30th Session, held in Antalya from 21 to 23 April 2009, agreed that the scoping of the AR5 Synthesis Report and the identification of cross-cutting issues begins with the first scoping meeting. It is expected that the scoping meeting scheduled from 13 to 17 July 2009 in Venice, Italy would come up with chapter outlines for the three Working Group contributions to the AR5 and prepare a broad outline for the Synthesis Report. In that context it was agreed to invite organizations to submit, before the end of May, their views on questions they would like to see addressed in AR5. Further it was agreed that, in line with past practice, provision is made for a special meeting dedicated to scoping the Synthesis Report structure and contents.

I have the honour of inviting your organization to submit policy relevant scientific technical topics to be addressed in the Fifth Assessment Report and its Synthesis Report to the IPCC Secretariat by **31st May 2009**, (preferably by e-mail to **IPCC-AR5topics@wmo.int** or to the IPCC Secretariat, c/o World Meteorological Organization, P.O. Box 2300, 7bis Avenue de la Paix, CH-1211 Geneva 2, Switzerland, fax: +4122 730 8025/8013).

Please indicate clearly in the subject line "Relevant topics for the AR5" and your Organization.

I thank you in advance for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. Christ".

(Renate Christ)
Secretary of the IPCC