

IPCC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – FORTY SEVENTH MEETING
Teleconference, 11 January 2017 at 1400 CET

CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS

Participants:

Members:

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

Advisory members:

A. Mokssit; A. Pirani; R. Slade; M. Tignor.

Secretariat:

K. Stendahl; J. Lynn.

Others:

E. Huntley; C. Péan.

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The Provisional Agenda (EXCOM-XLVII/Doc.1), as attached in Annex 1, was adopted.

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

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

The Chair of the IPCC, Mr Hoesung Lee, informed the Executive Committee of the impending scoping meeting for the IPCC Special Report on climate change, desertification, land degradation, sustainable land management, food security, and greenhouse gas fluxes in terrestrial ecosystems, to be held 13th – 16th February 2017 at the Ballsbridge Hotel in Dublin, Ireland.

Some discussions were held as regards visas for the meeting, noting that there had been problems but that these were being addressed by the organizers and the Secretariat.

The Executive Committee took note of the information.

3. COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

3.1. Ongoing and planned activities.

The Chair invited Mr Jonathan Lynn, the Senior Communications Manager, to report on the update of the Implementation Plan of the Communications Strategy.

Mr Lynn recalled that the Panel, at its 44th Session, had adopted the update of the Communications Strategy and requested the Executive Committee to update the Implementation Plan and report on this to the Bureau and National Focal Points by 1 February 2017.

Mr Lynn said the Communications Action Team (CAT) had worked on a revision of the Implementation Plan and a draft had been submitted to the Executive Committee. The revised Implementation Plan retains the structure of the previous version, and updates it in line with working practice in the Fifth Assessment cycle and with appropriate recommendations from the Expert Meeting on Communication held in Oslo in February 2016. He noted this version was ready for consideration, with two minor corrections. Mr Lynn then pointed out the major changes in the new draft.

Ms Thelma Krug, IPCC Vice-Chair and Chair of the Communications Action Team, said she believed the draft was now ready for circulation to the Bureau and National Focal Points.

The Chair thanked the Communications Action Team for their work and asked the Secretariat to make the corrections set out by Mr Lynn.

The Executive Committee agreed that the updated Implementation Plan would be forwarded to the Bureau and National Focal Points.

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

4.1. Update on the implementation of the Error Protocol.

The Deputy Secretary Ms Kerstin Stendahl noted there were no new cases since the last time this agenda item was reported on to the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee took note of the information.

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. Arrangements for scoping AR6.

The Chair reminded the Executive Committee of the process and deadline for selecting AR6 experts, as agreed during the previous Executive Committee meeting in Monaco.

Some members raised concerns about limiting the number of experts to 60 per working group, especially if this number were to include Bureau members. Reference was made to the fact that the budgeted number of experts was 240.

After some discussions it was agreed that, in light of the broad knowledge needed as well as the more extensive reports to be prepared, each working group would select 60 experts in addition to the Bureau members. This would amount to a number of some 215 in total.

Mr Mokssit, informed the Executive Committee that the AR6 Scoping meeting is most likely to be held in Addis Ababa at the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa 1 to 5 May 2017. There is also action in progress to hold an expert meeting of WG III back-to-back before the scoping meeting.

The Executive Committee reiterated its agreement on process and deadline for selecting AR6 experts and took note of the information on logistics for the AR6 scoping meeting.

The Executive Committee agreed that the experts invited to the meeting would be some 215 in total, this would consist of 60 experts per working group in addition to the Bureau members.

6. ANY OTHER MATTERS

Mr Mokssit informed the Executive Committee that the secretariat is currently undertaking a site visit to finalize the letter of agreement for the venue for the 45th Session of the IPCC (IPCC-45) after which invitations will be sent out.

The next Bureau session and IPCC-45 will be held in Guadalajara, Mexico from 26 to 31 March as follows:

26 (all day) - 27.3 (am)	53 rd Session of the Bureau
27.3 (pm)	Pre-plenary briefing
28.-31.3	45 th Session of the IPCC

Mr Mokssit informed that the pre-plenary briefing on the 27th of March would be done in three parts, the first being a general presentation of the IPCC, the second part addressing the information document that references the agenda items more specifically and the third part addressing logistics of the meeting.

The Executive Committee took note of the information on the briefing session planned for IPCC-45 with suggested additions from members. The Chair requested the Executive Committee to share further thoughts on both the briefing session as well as the meetings management with the Secretariat.

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(Submitted by the Secretary of the IPCC)

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