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Interviews with authors of IPCC Special Report on Climate Change and Land

GENEVA, July 29 – Following the press conference at 10.00 a.m. local time on Thursday, 8 August 2019, in Geneva, Switzerland, to present the Summary for Policymakers of the *Special Report on Climate Change and Land* of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), IPCC authors and officials will be available for interviews.

These interviews are expected to take place from around 12 noon onwards Geneva time (CEST). Interviews with authors can be conducted in person at the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) where the press conference takes place, by phone, or through a broadcast facility for those not attending the press conference in person.

Interviews can also be arranged with authors who are not in Geneva.

A list of IPCC experts available for interview can be found [here](#). This list also indicates the country of the author, languages in which they can be interviewed, and their field of specialization. Requests for interviews should be made on this [form](#).

Please make sure you complete all the fields relevant to your interview so that we are able to process your request according to your needs.

The IPCC expects to receive more requests than can be accommodated. If your interview request cannot be met on Thursday 8 August, there will be further opportunities in the following days and weeks. To accommodate as many interviews as possible on the day, the IPCC may also suggest an alternative interviewee, based on your needs specified when completing the form.

Please note that only interviews arranged via this process will be considered as confirmed. Any arrangements made directly with IPCC experts may be subject to cancellation.

Broadcasters

The IPCC has made available (for a fee) a broadcast facility in Geneva that will be available for use by broadcasters who are not present at the meeting.

You will be able to request both live and pre-recorded interviews. Broadcast interview requests should also be submitted through the online form.

Further details about these broadcast arrangements will be issued shortly.

For information about the press conference including details of accreditation and access to embargo materials, please see this [media advisory](#).

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Notes for editors

About the SRCCL

For the IPCC *Special Report on Climate Change* (SRCCL), more than 100 scientists from 52 countries are assessing the latest scientific knowledge about climate change, desertification, land degradation, sustainable land management, food security, and greenhouse gas fluxes in terrestrial ecosystems. Their interlinkages as well as synergies, trade-offs and integrated response options will be presented. The SRCCL is being prepared under the joint scientific leadership of Working Groups I, II, III and the Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories, and supported by the WG III Technical Support Unit.

About the IPCC

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) is the UN body for assessing the science related to climate change. It was established by the United Nations Environment Programme (UN Environment) and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) in 1988 to provide policymakers with regular scientific assessments concerning climate change, its implications and potential future risks, as well as to put forward adaptation and mitigation strategies. It has 195 member states.

IPCC assessments provide governments, at all levels, with scientific information that they can use to develop climate policies. IPCC assessments are a key input into the international negotiations to tackle climate change. IPCC reports are drafted and reviewed in several stages, thus guaranteeing objectivity and transparency.

The IPCC assesses the thousands of scientific papers published each year to tell policymakers what we know and don't know about the risks related to climate change. The IPCC identifies where there is agreement in the scientific community, where there are differences of opinion, and where further research is needed. It does not conduct its own research.

To produce its reports, the IPCC mobilizes hundreds of scientists. These scientists and officials are drawn from diverse backgrounds.

The IPCC has three working groups: Working Group I, dealing with the physical science basis of climate change; Working Group II, dealing with impacts, adaptation and vulnerability; and Working Group III, dealing with the mitigation of climate change. It also has a Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories that develops methodologies for measuring emissions and removals. All of these are supported by Technical Support Units guiding the production of IPCC assessment reports and other products.

IPCC Assessment Reports consist of contributions from each of the three working groups and a Synthesis Report. Special Reports undertake an assessment of cross-disciplinary issues that span more than one working group and are shorter and more focused than the main assessments.

About the Sixth Assessment Cycle

At its 41st Session in February 2015, the IPCC decided to produce a Sixth Assessment Report (AR6). At its 42nd Session in October 2015 it elected a new Bureau that would oversee the work on this report and Special Reports to be produced in the assessment cycle. At its 43rd Session in April 2016, it decided to produce three Special Reports, a Methodology Report and AR6.

In October 2018 the IPCC finalized the Special Report on *Global Warming of 1.5°C*. In May 2019 it released the Methodology Report *2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*.

Besides *Climate Change and Land*, the IPCC will release the *Special Report on the Ocean and Cryosphere in a Changing Climate* (SROCC) in September 2019, subject to approval.

The three Working Groups' contributions to the Sixth Assessment Report will be finalized in 2021. A Synthesis Report will complete the AR6 cycle in early 2022, integrating all the Working Group contributions and the findings of the three special reports.

For more information go to www.ipcc.ch