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IPCC MEDIA ADVISORY

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IPCC Working Group II and Working Group III Reports

GENEVA, 21 February - The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) will consider the Working Group II contribution to the Fifth Assessment Report, covering impacts, adaptation and vulnerability, in Yokohama, Japan, on 25-29 March 2014. It will consider the Working Group III contribution, on the mitigation of climate change, in Berlin, Germany, on 7-11 April. These Working Group sessions will approve the respective Summary for Policymakers and accept the full report. An IPCC Plenary session will follow each Working Group session to accept the action taken by the Working Group.

Press conferences

1. Working Group II (Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability)

A press conference to present Working Group II's Summary for Policymakers will be held following its approval session:

When: 09.00 a.m. Tokyo time on Monday 31 March 2014
(20.00 EDT (30 March), 00.00 GMT, 01.00 BST, 02.00 CEST) (summer time)

Where: Pacifico Yokohama
1-1-1, Minato Mirai, Nishi-ku, Yokohama, Japan

Working Group II Co-Chairs Vicente Barros and Chris Field will present the Summary for Policymakers. Other speakers will include IPCC Chair Rajendra K. Pachauri, representatives of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), and other members of the report's author team.

2. Working Group III (Mitigation of Climate Change)

A press conference to present Working Group III's Summary for Policymakers will be held following its approval session:

When: 11.00 a.m. Berlin time on Sunday 13 April 2014
(05.00 EDT, 09.00 GMT, 10.00 BST, 18.00 JST)

Where: Estrel Hotel and Convention Centre
Sonnenallee 225, Berlin, Germany
S-Bahn Station Sonnenallee, line S-41

Working Group III Co-Chairs Ottmar Edenhofer, Ramón Pichs-Madruga and Youba Sokona will present the Summary for Policymakers. Other panellists will include IPCC Chair Rajendra K. Pachauri, the Secretary of the IPCC, Renate Christ, and representatives of UNEP and the WMO. Authors that have contributed to the report will be present.

The Working Group III Co-Chairs will also deliver a brief statement on the report at **10.00 a.m. Berlin time on Sunday 13 April**, one hour before the press conference. This is intended primarily for broadcast media and photographers, but all registered media will have access.

The respective Summary for Policymakers, press release and other materials will be posted online at the start of each press conference. Each press conference will be webcast. The IPCC will communicate the address for the webcasts nearer the time.

Opening sessions

Working Group II will hold its opening session on **Tuesday 25 March 2014 from 10.00 to 11.00 Tokyo time** at the **Pacifico Yokohama**. Working Group III will hold its opening session on **Monday 7 April 2014 from 10.00 to 11.00 Berlin time** at the **Estrel Hotel and Convention Centre**.

These opening sessions are open to media. They are expected to be addressed by the Working Group Co-Chairs, the IPCC Chair, senior representatives from UNEP, the WMO and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and a representative from the host country.

For each opening session, a limited number of places is available for media in the conference hall. Priority will be given to wire services and local media. Otherwise, the Working Group sessions and the following IPCC Plenary sessions are closed to the public and to media.

Registration for press conferences and opening sessions

The IPCC operates its own registration and accreditation system, which is based on the [media accreditation guidelines of the United Nations](#)¹. Please also check our accreditation and registration [FAQs](#)².

Media representatives wishing to attend the press conference and/or the opening session in person must complete the [Yokohama registration form](#)³ for Working Group II and/or the [Berlin registration form](#)⁴ for Working Group III and email scanned copies of credentials to: ipcc-media-registration@wmo.int.

Media representatives wishing to attend both press conferences must register separately for each event.

The credentials that are required are:

- A letter of assignment requesting accreditation on official letterhead of a media organization, signed by the publisher, editor-in-chief, or assignment editor. It should include the name and duration of assignment of the journalist; and
- A valid press card; or a valid media accreditation badge for the United Nations in New York, Geneva, Vienna or Nairobi.

(Please see FAQs if you do not have a valid press card or UN media accreditation.)

Each member of a team should register separately. If you work as a photographer or as part of a TV crew you are asked to indicate this on the registration form so that the IPCC can plan sufficient space. The form allows you to state special requirements, e.g. for TV crews.

¹ <http://www.un.org/en/media/accreditation/request.shtml>

² http://www.ipcc.ch/news_and_events/docs/ar5/media_accreditation_FAQs.pdf

³ <http://goo.gl/nwhRNO>

⁴ <http://goo.gl/SOxlmK>

(Please note that there is limited space for satellite trucks. If you will need space for this please let us know on the form and separately by email. Please also indicate whether you would like satellite broadcast facilities.)

The same form is used for registration for the press conference or for accredited media wishing to attend the opening session of the Working Group session. In registering, please indicate which of the events you plan to attend or both.

The deadline for registration for the Working Group II press conference and opening session is **Friday 14 March 2014**, and for the Working Group III press conference and opening session is **Friday 28 March**. Badges may be picked up at the conference centre on the day before the respective opening session at 16.00-18.00 local time, on the morning of the respective opening session from 08.00 local time, for the Working Group II press conference at 16.00-18.00 local time on Sunday 30 March and from 07.00 on Monday 31 March, and for the Working Group III press conference at 16.00-18.00 local time on Saturday 12 April and from 08.00 on Sunday 13 April.

Embargo and other arrangements

The Summary for Policymakers, press release and any other press materials will be made available to media under embargo on the day before the press conference. **Media representatives who want access to embargoed materials must register separately, regardless of whether they are registering to attend the press conference. A separate registration is required for each set of embargoed materials: registration for access to Working Group II materials under embargo will not be valid for Working Group III.**

The embargo will run until the start of the respective press conference. Registered media will receive an email alert when the embargoed material is posted. The exact time the embargoed material is made available will depend on the time the approval plenary concludes. Registering for access will require media representatives to agree to adhere to the terms of the embargo. Failure to do so may result in that journalist or media outlet being excluded from future embargo arrangements.

Media representatives seeking access to embargoed material should go to <http://www.ipcc.ch/apps/eventmanager/press/>. First-time users should click "Request Access" to obtain a username and password. Media must register separately for each event's embargoed material by clicking "Request Access" and selecting the new event from the drop-down menu. The same password will be used.

Besides the approved Summary for Policymakers, the accepted Final Draft of each full Working Group report, comprising the Technical Summary, Chapters and Annexes, will be released online, within two days of the respective press conference. Following further copy-editing, layout, final checks for errors, and adjustments for changes for consistency with the Summary for Policymakers, the final version of the full reports will be published online in August and September 2014 (tbc) respectively and in book form by Cambridge University Press a few months later.

The IPCC will advise nearer the time how to request interviews both in person at the site of the press conference and by phone or email.

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