PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

(Submitted by the Secretary of the IPCC)

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1 This revised version is being submitted to reflect the change of document numbers of INF. 2, Rev. 1 – Guidance on developed and developing countries categories and INF. 4, Rev. 1 – Proposal for the organization of work.
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The Fifty-ninth session of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC-59) will take place from 25 to 28 July 2023 at the headquarters of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), United Nations Avenue, Gigiri, Nairobi, Kenya.

Pre-session documentation will not be distributed on paper but will be posted on a dedicated web page at https://www.ipcc.ch/meeting-doc/ipcc-59/. In addition, the IPCC PaperSmart system will allow registered participants to access session documents in electronic format during the meeting on a dedicated web portal via individual credentials linked to their registration. Participants are encouraged to download the documentation on their computers in advance of the session.

Simultaneous interpretation in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish will be provided during the plenary Session. All documentation will be in English only.

A proposed organization of work including working hours is contained in document IPCC-LIX/INF.4, Rev.1. Additional information about IPCC-59 is available on the dedicated web page at www.ipcc.ch.

1. OPENING OF THE SESSION

The Chair of the IPCC will call the session to order at 10:00 am on Tuesday 25 July 2023 after which invited dignitaries will address the Plenary.

The Chair will draw the attention of the Plenary to the provisional agenda (IPCC-LIX/Doc.1) and propose its adoption. The agenda may be amended at any time during the session.

2. APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT REPORT OF THE FIFTY-EIGHTH SESSION

A first draft of the report of the Fifty-eighth Session of the IPCC was sent to IPCC members for comments on 25 May 2023. Comments received within the set deadline have been incorporated in document IPCC-LIX/Doc.2, Rev.1, which is posted in the website and will be submitted to the Panel for approval.

3. PROCEDURAL MATTERS

The Chair of the IPCC will invite the Secretariat to present the document IPCC-LIX/INF.1 on Procedural matters. The Legal Officer will present the document including the following items:

3.1 Conflict of Interest

The Panel will be informed of the role and responsibilities of the Conflict of Interest Committee during the Fifty-ninth Session, in particular with respect to the election of the members of the IPCC Bureau and the Task Force Bureau (See: Rule 21(c) and (d) of the Procedures for the Election of the IPCC Bureau and any Task Force Bureau).

3.2 Credentials

The Panel will be requested to establish a Credentials Committee for the duration of the Session to determine the countries with valid credentials for the purposes of voting during the election of the members of the IPCC Bureau and the Task Force Bureau. Also, it will be informed on the outcome of its review of credentials, as per Rule 5 of the Procedures for the Election of the IPCC Bureau and any Task Force Bureau).
3.3 Nominations

The Panel will be requested to establish a Nominations Committee for the duration of the Session. The Nominations Committee shall prepare and submit through its Chair to the members of the Panel represented at the Session a list of nominees for each office for which an election is to be held. Each Region shall nominate two representatives to serve on the Committee (See: Rule 22,23 of the Procedures for the Election of the IPCC Bureau and any Task Force Bureau).

3.4 Voting

The Panel will be informed on the voting process, procedures and practices including the order of voting, with reference to the Rules 25, 28, 30, 32 of the Procedures for the Election of the IPCC Bureau and any Task Force Bureau).

As per Rule 23 of the Appendix C of the Procedures for Election of the IPCC Bureau and any Task Force, Delegates will be encouraged to meet before and/or as early as possible during the Panel Session on Elections with a view to, amongst others, designate the representatives of the Region to the Credentials Committee and Nominations Committee and consider the nominations to the IPCC Bureau and any Task Force Bureau positions from the Region.

The Chairs of the Conflict of Interest Committee, Nominations Committee and Credentials Committee will report back to the Panel upon the completion of their work.

4. ELECTION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE IPCC BUREAU AND THE TASK FORCE BUREAU

Following the reports from the Conflict of Interest Committee, Nominations Committee and Credentials Committee, the Chair of the IPCC will open the election process.

As per Rule 15 of Appendix C to the Principles Governing IPCC Work, members of the new Bureau will be elected in the following order:

a) the IPCC Chair;
b) the IPCC Vice-Chairs;
c) the Co-Chairs of the Working Groups and of any Task Force Bureau;
d) the Vice-Chairs of the Working Groups.

As per Rule 16 of the Appendix C to the Principles Governing IPCC Work, the members of the Task Force Bureau shall be elected after all the members of the IPCC Bureau have been elected.

The Secretariat has produced the following documents to facilitate the elections process: IPCC-LIX/INF.2, Rev.1, Guidance on developed and developing countries categories, IPCC-LIX/INF.3, Record of nominations received.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

6. PLACE AND DATE FOR THE SIXTIETH PLENARY SESSION OF THE IPCC

The Chair of the IPCC will invite the Secretariat to provide information on the venue and date of the Sixtieth Session of the IPCC. The Secretary of the IPCC will provide an oral update on the venue and date of the session.
7. CLOSING OF THE SESSION

The Fifty-ninth Session of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change is expected to be closed on Friday 28 July 2023 at 18h00.