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(Submitted by the Secretary of the IPCC)



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Introduction

The TG-Data nomination and selection process is governed by the Task Group's Terms of Reference (TORs), adopted by the Panel at the 47th Session of the IPCC (Paris, France, 13 – 16 March 2018), and amended at the 49th Session (Kyoto, Japan, 8 – 12 May 2019) in <u>Decision IPCC-XLIX-6</u>. According to Article 4.1 of the TG-Data TORs, the membership of the Task Group should be refreshed at latest with the author selection process of a new comprehensive assessment.

On 7 March 2025, Governments and IPCC Observer Organizations were invited to nominate experts to serve as members of the TG-Data. By the 17 April 2025 deadline, a total of 195 nominations were submitted to the dedicated email address. The nominations received were checked for completeness (i.e. nomination form in full and CV). In several cases, the nominating Focal Points were requested to provide missing information, that was submitted after the deadline, up to 25 April 2025. New nominations received after the deadline were not accepted.

To facilitate the selection process by the IPCC Bureau, an online portal was developed that provided detailed information pertaining to each nominee, including CVs. Bureau Members were granted access to the online portal. Additionally, the information contained in the nomination forms was compiled into one Excel spreadsheet that was shared with Bureau Members.

Summary of the nominations

Salient characteristics of the nominations are provided below:

- Forty-five nominations (~23%) were from Region I (Africa); 40 (~21%) from Region II (Asia), 14 (~7%) from Region III (South America), 34 (~17%) from Region IV (North and Central America and the Caribbean), 13 (~7%) from Region V (South-west Pacific), and 49 (~25%) from Region VI (Europe).
- Nominations from developing countries and countries with EITs were 131 (~67%).
- Nominated women were 64 (~33%).
- 61 nationalities were represented.
- Thirty-three applied to be Co-Chairs, although most indicated that they could also be selected to serve as members.

Auxiliary information about the submitted nominations distributed according to WMO Regions is provided in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Auxiliary Statistics of TG-Data Nominations

	Region I	Region II	Region III	Region IV	Region V	Region VI
Female	10	10	7	15	3	19
DC/EIT	45	37	14	23	5	7
Role in IPCC ¹	1	2	0	2	0	4
TGICA/DDC ² Experience	0	0	1	0	0	3
Other ³ IPCC Experience	9	7	4	3	5	11
Nominated for Co-Chair	8	5	3	4	1	12

Selection of Members of the TG-Data

In preparation for the 69th Session of the IPCC Bureau (Geneva, Switzerland, 2 July 2025), the Working Group Bureaux considered all the nominations and proposed an initial list of 20 TG-Data members.

The criteria used in selecting the members included:

- the range of scientific, technical and socio-economic views and expertise as needed to fulfil its role and responsibilities;
- geographical representation, experts from developed and developing countries and from countries with economies in transition,
- a mixture of experts with and without previous experience in IPCC;
- gender balance; and
- experts with a background from relevant stakeholder and user groups.

The proposal by the Working Groups was presented to the whole IPCC Bureau at the 69th Session when the 20 members were officially selected. One of the TG-Data Co-Chairs who had been selected by the IPCC Bureau declined this role. Subsequently, the Working Group Co-Chairs identified a replacement that was submitted to the IPCC Bureau for agreement through a letter sent on 25 August 2025.

¹ Coordinating Lead Author, Lead Author and Review Editor in Assessment Reports and Special Reports

² Co-Chairs, Previous members, Authors of Technical Guidelines or Fact Sheets, DDC Managers and/or Staff Members, Ex-Officio members

³ Contributing Author, Chapter Scientist, Technical Support Unit staff, Expert/Government Reviewer, IPCC Focal Point, Delegate in IPCC Meetings, Member of ATF-TGICA

Selected Members of the TG-Data

The final list of 20 TG-Data members is presented in Table 2, including two Co-Chairs. Amongst the selected TG-Data members:

- 3 are from Region I (Africa); 5 from Region II (Asia); 3 from Region III (South America); 2 from Region IV (North and Central America and the Caribbean); 2 from Region V (South-west Pacific); and 5 from Region VI (Europe).
- 11 are citizens of developing countries and EITs.
- 11 are female.

Table 2: List of TG-Data Members

No.	Name	Country	Gender	Role
1	Aidin NIAMIR	Germany	Male	Co-Chair
2	Silvina Alicia SOLMAN	Argentina	Female	Co-Chair
3	Alaa AL KHOURDAJIE	United Kingdom	Male	Member
4	Guleid ARTAN	Somalia	Male	Member
5	Gillian BOWSER	USA	Female	Member
6	Lijuan CAO	China	Female	Member
7	Jaime Jesús CARRERA HERNÁNDEZ	Mexico	Male	Member
8	Young-Don CHOI	Republic of Korea	Male	Member
9	Rebecca COWLEY	Australia	Female	Member
10	Muhammad Eeqmal Eesfansyah HASSIM	Australia	Male	Member
11	Anca HIENOLA	Romania	Female	Member
12	Maialen ITURBIDE MARTÍNEZ DE	Spain	Female	Member
	ALBÉNIZ			
13	Lydie Stella KOUTIKA	Congo	Female	Member
14	Guillaume LEVAVASSEUR	France	Male	Member
15	Malik MECHHOUD	Algeria	Male	Member
16	Milla NOBREGA DE MENEZES COSTA	Brazil	Female	Member
17	Riko OKI	Japan	Female	Member
18	Ximena SCHMIDT RIVERA	Chile	Female	Member
19	Ram Lal VERMA	India	Male	Member
20	Lili ZHANG	China	Female	Member