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Report by the IPCC Chair and Vice Chairs

(Prepared by the Chair of the IPCC)

(Submitted by the Secretary of the IPCC)



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The report consists of short narratives covering inclusivity, interdisciplinarity, policy relevance, other scientific activities, and general activities. This is followed by lists of specific Chair and Vice-Chair activities.

We note that Vice-Chair Ramón Pichs-Madruga is now recuperating having been taken ill at Climate Week in Panama in June 2025. We wish him well for a full and speedy recovery.

## 1. Inclusivity

Progress on inclusivity has proceeded along three fronts:

- access to literature;
- the Expert Meeting on Gender, Inclusivity and Diversity;
- chapter scientist support.

On **access to literature**, Utrecht University has granted access to literature for authors of the Special Report on Cities and Climate Change from developing countries and economies in transition.

The Chair and his team have had considerable success in securing access to literature across the publishing sector for developing country authors through the Social Responsibility Committee of the International Association of Scientific, Technical and Medical Publishers (STM). This committee prioritises inclusivity and sustainability. The Chair of the Committee is putting forward a proposal for IPCC author access to scientific literature published across the whole sector. This would be analogous to an arrangement that STM had for COVID-related publications during the pandemic. This important advance follows a comprehensive analysis () of citations in the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) conducted by the Chair's Scientific Advisor. Just four publishing groups account for two thirds of the journal references.

This followed an initial approach to Elsevier which chairs the STM Social Responsibility Committee. Elsevier accounted for almost a quarter of the references in the AR6. Both Elsevier and Springer Nature have agreed access in principle and we are now negotiating precise modalities with a view to securing author access by the end of the first quarter of 2026. We are optimistic of getting other top publishers on board. If agreement is reached, this could be extended beyond the seventh assessment cycle.

This initiative builds on previous success in securing access through to 2028 for AR7 and Methodology Report authors from developing countries and economies in transition to journals published by the American Geophysical Union, the American Meteorological Society, as well as the Wiley journals Global Change Biology and WIREs-Climate Change.

The **Expert Meeting on Gender, Diversity and Inclusion** took place in Geneva, Switzerland, on 23–25 September, with financial support from the Government of Canada for expanded participation. The Expert Meeting was co-hosted by the World Meteorological Organization and Canada. Vice-Chair Diana Ürge-Vorsatz has led the development of the Expert Meeting and chaired the Scientific Steering Committee, with support from the Secretariat. The meeting had a total of 114 participants, 84 in person and 30 online, representing all continents.

Experts at the meeting discussed how gender, diversity, equity, and inclusivity issues can be further enhanced and integrated in IPCC's structures and processes. It took a novel interactive format designed to ensure inclusive participation from all perspectives. The meeting resulted in a diverse set of recommendations relevant for different parts of IPCC and for various communities associated with IPCC. The Scientific Steering Committee is now working on the meeting report that will be submitted to the next session of the Panel. Further details are provided in the GAT report (IPCC-LXIII/INF. 11).

Support for **Chapter Scientists** from developing countries has been secured for the seventh assessment cycle by the Working Groups as described in the Progress Report from Working Group II (IPCC-LXIII/INF. 6).

## 2. Interdisciplinarity

#### Internal to IPCC

Much of the responsibility lies with the Working Groups and their Bureaux. The Working Groups have collaborated to organise the first two Lead Authors Meetings for the Special Report on Climate Change and Cities, and are similarly collaborating on the first ever joint first Lead Author Meeting for the seventh assessment cycle in Paris in December 2025.

The Chair has been invited to attend regular Co-Chair meetings and has actively supported collaborative activities. Each IPCC Vice-Chair is associated with one of the three Working Groups and participates in selected activities.

# **External to IPCC**

The IPCC Vice-Chairs have been assigned liaison roles with other UN environmental assessments. These are: Vice-Chair Pichs-Madruga (IPBES/GEO7); Vice-Chair Ürge-Vorsatz (International Resources Panel/Intergovernmental Science-Policy Panel on Chemicals, Waste and Pollution); Vice-Chair Chang'a (World Climate Research Programme/CMIP). The IPCC Chair briefed the IPBES Multidisciplinary Expert Panel on IPCC activities virtually at its meeting held on 10 July 2025. The Chair's team has prepared an analysis of IPBES Government suggestions for collaboration between IPCC and IPBES. IPBES has also invited the IPCC to consider co-sponsorship of a workshop on biodiversity and climate change. The Chair will take the analysis of IPBES suggestions and the workshop invitation for consideration at the next Bureau meeting.

## 3. Policy relevance

The IPCC, Bureau members and scientists associated with the IPCC have continued to communicate findings to policymakers and stakeholders both internationally and at national and regional levels.

The Chair and Vice-Chair Ladislaus Chang'a attended SB-62 in Bonn in June 2025. Several meetings with the major constituencies recognised by the UNFCCC took place at SB-62. These included: the Business and Industry NGOs (BINGOs); the Environmental NGOs (ENGOs); Trade Union NGOs (TUNGOs). During SB-62 the Chair met with the AOSIS Alliance, the IPO Caucus and the G77 group. The Chair also had a number of country bilateral meetings and sought support for the IPCC Trust Fund.

The Chair and Vice-Chair Ladislaus Chang'a attended the African Ministerial Conference in Nairobi in July, making active contributions at various sessions. Vice-Chair Ladislaus Chang'a contributed to the Forum of Ministers of Environment for Asia and Pacific in Fiji on 26–29 August 2025. The IPCC Chair made a virtual contribution to the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Climate Symposium in Busan, Korea on 7 August 2025.

The Chair and Vice-Chairs have been involved in outreach events, across the continents, throughout the period of this report (January to August 2025) as listed further down in this document.

#### 4. Other scientific activities

The Chair and his office team have been actively preparing for the two co-located Workshops on *Engaging Diverse Knowledge Systems* and on *Methods of Assessment*. These will be held at the University of Reading on 10–12 February 2026 with the support of the UK Government. A Scientific Steering Committee comprising Bureau members and individuals external to IPCC with relevant expertise has been convened. Two subcommittees, one for each workshop and chaired by IPCC Vice-Chairs Diane Ürge-Vorsatz and Ramon Pichs-Madruga, have been established. A call for

nominations of participants in the workshops was open from 4 June to 16 July 2025. 698 nominations were received for the approximately 80 places available at the workshops (after allowing for SSC attendance). The complex selection process is now under way. The Chair and his team are grateful to the Working Groups and their Technical Support Units for their support for the SSC and the participant selection.

#### 5. Other activities

The Chair has been participating in the procurement process for the provision of consultancy services for the Strategic Human Resources Plan of the IPCC Secretariat. The Chair meets regularly in a virtual format with the Secretary, the Deputy Secretary, the Programme Manager, Communications and Media Relations and other members of the Secretariat as appropriate.

## 6. Main activities of the IPCC Chair and Vice-Chairs from January 2025 to September 2025

## **IPCC** business

#### IPCC Chair, Jim Skea

- Chaired eight monthly meetings of the Executive Committee on 8 January, 12 February, 19 March, 9 April, 14 May, 11 June, 9 July and 10 September 2025, all virtual.
- Chaired Plenary 62 from 24 to 28 February 2025 in Hangzhou, China.
- Attended the 26<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the IPCC Gender Action Team on 8 April 2025, virtual.
- Chaired IPCC Bureau meeting B-69 in Geneva, Switzerland, from 30 June to 2 July 2025.
- Chaired five meetings with the IPCC Vice-Chairs on 31 January, 14 March, 30 April, 27 May and 10 September 2025, all virtual.
- Chaired the first meeting of the IPCC Communications Action Team (COAT) on 15 April 2025, virtual.
- Chaired the meetings of the Scientific Steering Committee of the Workshops on Engaging
  Diverse Knowledge Systems and on Methods of Assessment, on 9 April, 7 May and 12
  September 2025, and the first meeting of the Subcommittee for the Workshop on Engaging
  Diverse Knowledge Systems, on 12 June 2025; participated in the first meeting of the
  Subcommittee for the Workshop on Methods of Assessment, on 25 June 2025 (all virtual).
- Attended the IPCC Expert Meeting on Gender, Diversity and Inclusivity, in Geneva, Switzerland, on 23–25 September 2025, where he delivered opening remarks.

# IPCC Vice-Chair, Diana Ürge-Vorsatz

- Participated in eight monthly meetings of the Executive Committee on 8 January, 12 February, 19 March, 9 April, 14 May, 11 June, 9 July and 10 September 2025, all virtual.
- Participated in Plenary 62 from 24 to 28 February 2025 in Hanghzou, China.
- Participated in five meetings with the IPCC Chair and IPCC Vice-Chairs on 31 January, 14 March, 30 April, 27 May and 10 September 2025, all virtual.
- Participated in the IPCC Bureau meeting B-69 in Geneva, Switzerland, from 30 June to 2 July 2025.
- Participated in meetings of the Scientific Steering Committee of the Workshops on Engaging Diverse Knowledge Systems and on Methods of Assessment, on 9 April and 7 May 2025, and chaired the first meeting of the Subcommittee for the Workshop on Methods of Assessment, on 25 June 2025; participated in the first meeting of the Subcommittee for the Workshop on Engaging Diverse Knowledge Systems on 12 June 2025; all virtual.
- Chaired several meetings (mostly virtual) of the Scientific Steering Committee of the Expert Meeting on Gender, Diversity and Inclusion: SSC5, 21 May; SSC6, 13 June, SSC7, 1–2 July (in person, Geneva), SSC8, 31 July; SSC9, 20 August, SSC10 2 September, SSC11, 10 September; SSC12, 16 September 2025.
- Chaired two meetings of the Gender Action Team on 8 April and 15 May 2025.
- Led the IPCC AR7 Outreach webinar for Central and Eastern European scientists on April 7 2025 along with the European Climate Foundation.

## IPCC Vice-Chair, Ladislaus Chang'a

- Participated in eight monthly meetings of the Executive Committee on 8 January, 12 February, 19 March, 9 April, 14 May, 11 June, 9 July and 10 September 2025, all virtual.
- Participated in Plenary 62 from 24 to 28 February 2025 in Hanghzou, China.
- Participated in five meetings with the IPCC Chair and IPCC Vice-Chairs on 31 January, 14 March, 30 April, 27 May and 10 September 2025, all virtual.
- Participated in online meetings of the WGI Bureau.
- Participated in the IPCC Bureau meeting B-69 in Geneva, Switzerland, from 30 June to 2 July 2025.
- Participated in the meetings of the Board of Trustees of the IPCC Scholarship Programme.
- Chaired the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> meetings of the IPCC Conflict of Interest Committee, held on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025 and 2 July 2025 respectively.

# IPCC Vice-Chair, Ramón Pichs-Madruga

- Participated in five monthly meetings of the Executive Committee on 8 January, 12 February, 19 March, 9 April, 14 May and 10 September 2025, all virtual.
- Participated in four meetings with the IPCC Chair and IPCC Vice-Chairs on 31 January, 14 March, 30 April, 27 May and 16 September 2025, all virtual.
- Participated in a virtual meeting of IPCC officials in preparation for Plenary 62 on 7 January 2025.
- Participated in a virtual meeting between the IPCC WGIII Co-Chairs, Vice-Chairs, and IPCC Chair in preparation for Plenary 62, on 24 January 2025.
- Participated in Plenary 62 from 24 to 28 February 2025 in Hanghzou, China.
- Participated in online meetings of the WGII Bureau on 3 April 2025.
- Participated in online meetings of the IPCC Gender Action Team (GAT) on 8 April and 15 May 2025.
- Participated in the meetings of the Scientific Steering Committee of the IPCC Workshops on Engaging Diverse Knowledge Systems and on Methods of Assessment on 9 April and 7 May 2025, all virtual.
- Participated in a preparatory meeting (virtual) on a possible IPCC Expert Meeting on Climate Change and Health on 12 May 2025.

## **Outreach and engagement**

Note: further media and outreach activities are covered by Doc. IPCC-LXIII/INF. 2.

## Activities conducted by the IPCC Chair, Jim Skea, included:

- Participated in several events, virtual and in person as highlighted in the Communications report.
- Gave interviews for the TV, radio and newspapers to journalists from several countries in different continents.
- While participating in different events abroad, had meetings with country leaders and politicians, namely China, India, Finland, Spain, Greece and several African politicians.
- Delivered a keynote speech and participated in a panel at the European Statistical Forum organized by the European Commission, on 16 January 2025, virtual.
- Participated in a panel at a webinar organized by UNEP and the Geneva Environment Network entitled "Road to OEWG 3.2: Relevant examples from other panels for the establishment of a science-policy panel to contribute further to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution", 23 January 2025, virtual.
- Delivered a speech to the Civil Service Climate and Environment Network event "The Importance of Evidence Based Solutions", organised by the Government Actuary Department on 28 January 2025 in London, UK, virtual.
- Delivered introductory remarks to the Economist Impact's Carbon Capture Summit, held in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, on 5 February 2025, pre-recorded.

- Delivered an introductory speech for the launch of the Bennett Institute, University of Sussex, entitled "Accelerating Options to Fight Climate Change", on 10 February, pre-recorded.
- Delivered an introductory speech for International Energy Week, organised by the Energy Institute in London on 25 February, pre-recorded.
- Was invited as the guest of honour at the World Sustainable Development Summit, organised by TERI, where he delivered a Science Leadership Address, met with IPCC Focal Point and Ministry officials and gave media interviews. He also met with the Brazilian Minister of Environment, Marina Silva and Ms. Ika Hirt of the German Federal Ministry for the Environment. New Delhi, 5-7 March, in person;
- Participated in a panel discussion entitled "The role of science, engineering and innovation in energy transition" organised by the Department of Energy Security and Net Zero on 11 March in London, virtual;
- Was interviewed for Istanbul Innovation Days, organised by UNDP on 22 March, pre-recorded;
- Delivered keynote speech at UK Health Alliance on Climate Change meeting with health professionals at BMA House, London on 24 March, in person;
- Visited Helsinki, which included a lecture at the University of Helsinki, meetings with trade representatives, Ambassadors representing the different IPCC regions, a presentation to Parliament, a meeting with IPCC Focal Point, Finnish Ministers and Finnish President, 2-4 April, in person;
- Participated in closed Workshop on Rethinking Climate Governance: Lessons and Models for the Future, organised by UNU-CPR in collaboration with the governments of Brazil and Germany, in New York, on 1 May, virtual;
- Delivered a keynote speech at Cercle d'Economia Annual Conference, hosting business leaders, politicians and media, in Barcelona, Spain from 5-8 May, in person;
- Participated in a closed meeting with scientists at the Advisory Council on Sustainable Development (CADS), and had a meeting with teenagers from Schools for Sustainability Network as well as meetings with the President of Catalonia Parliament, and with the President of the Generalitat of Catalonya, Barcelona, 5-8 May, in person;
- Met with the Mayor of Athens and Minister of Environment and Energy, Athens, 12 May, in person
- Delivered a lecture at the National Technical University of Athens, Athens, Greece, 13 May, in person;
- Delivered a lecture on "Reflections on the Present and Future of the IPCC" at the Bank of Greece, Athens, Greece, 14 May, in person.
- Delivered a keynote "Aspiring to Consensus: The Case of Climate Change" at the European Network of Scientists for Social and Environmental Responsibility Conference, 15-16 May, in person.
- Participated in a Panel to celebrate IPBES Biodiversity Day, entitled "Climate Change Nexus and Transformative Change", held virtually and organised by IPBES from Paris.
- Delivered a thirty minute presentation plus Q&A session to the Young Königswinter Alumni conference, a bilateral Germany-UK Forum, organised by the Scottish Parliament and held virtually on 13 June;
- Attended UNFCCC's SB-62 in Bonn, from 16 to 22 June, where he:
  - Address at the opening of the 17<sup>th</sup> Research Dialogue "Updates on global climate change indicators, equity in scenarios and overall advances in research on climate attribution science and overshoots":
  - Brief overview of the progress of the seventh assessment cycle at IPCC Side event;
  - Opening remarks at GGA/SBSTA-IPCC special event on adaptation;
  - Participated in briefings by the BINGOs, ENGOs and TUNGOs, Farmers IPO Caucus, had meetings with AOSIS, the G77+China and with the African Group of Negotiators;
  - Attended bilateral meetings with several IPCC Focal points and government delegations from several African, European, Middle Eastern and Asian countries, as well the LDCs, Local Governments and Municipalities, the COP30 President designate, the UNCCC Executive Secretary and the SBSTA Chair;

- Participated in a closed meeting organised by the Energy Transitions Commission in London on 26 June;
- Delivered a keynote speech at the ICCN Climate Governance Forum in London, on 26 June;
- Attended the Climate Resilience Finance Summit, organised by the IIED in London, on 27 June:
- Delivered a keynote at the China Executive Leadership Programme event organised in Cambridge on 8 July;
- Attended the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment, in Nairobi, from 12 to 18 July, where he:
  - Delivered opening remarks at the event "Informing climate policies in Africa: The science of the IPCC's Seventh Assessment Report and its relevance for the continent" on 13 July;
  - Delivered a one hour public lecture at the University of Nairobi entitled "Assessing Climate Change: Scientific Needs for Africa and Beyond" on 14 July
  - o Participated in a "Climate Dialogue" with UNEP staff, including a 20 minute presentation with a Q&A session, on 16 July;
  - Delivered the opening remarks and participated at the Ministerial Policy Dialogue on "The role of sustainable digital technologies, artificial intelligence and early warning and assessments for environmental sustainability in Africa" with an audience consisting of high-level guests and Ministers, on 17 July;
  - Participated in a panel at a high level lunch event "Paris Agreement+10: A Decade of Climate Action and the Road Ahead", on 17 July;
  - Delivered a statement at a High-level Special Session on AMCEN@40, on 18 July;
  - Had bilateral meetings with representatives from Egypt, Kenya, Libya, Senegal and South Africa, as well as the UNEP Deputy Executive Secretary and the UNEP Director of Science.
- Delivered a pre-recorded keynote session for the APEC Climate Symposium 2025, to an audience of policymakers, climate scientists and thought leaders, in Busan, Korea on 7 August;
- Held a one hour webinar for the Greenstat Hydrogen Webinar Series, organised by the Centre
  of Excellence for Hydrogen in Sri Lanka to share insights on the latest IPCC report, on 14
  August. The audience consisted of a mix of professionals, policymakers, researchers,
  lecturers and students from India, Sri Lanka, China and other countries in South Asia;
- Attended the IIASA Overshoot Conference, where he delivered opening remarks and participated in a panel during the closing session.

## Activities conducted by IPCC Vice-Chair, Diana Ürge-Vorsatz, include:

- Taking part in numerous high-level events, both virtual and in person, as detailed in the Communications Report.
- Conducting more than 68 interviews across television, radio, and print media, engaging with journalists from multiple countries and regions worldwide.
- During international engagements, held meetings with national leaders and senior politicians in India, China, Taiwan, Luxembourg, Austria, and Hungary.
- Delivering a keynote speech at the ET Now Times Global Business Summit in New Delhi on 14-17 February 2025, with participants including the Indian Prime Minister, business leaders, the UN Climate Change Executive Secretary, and Google's APAC Sustainability Officer.
- Participating in the 62nd Plenary Session of the IPCC, held in China on 24-26 February 2025, with Bureau members, government delegations, and observers.
- Participating as Lead Author in the 1st IPCC Lead Author Meeting for the Special Report on Cities, held in Japan on 11-17 March 2025.
- Contributing to the IIASA-Japan Joint Research Project Workshop for Cities, held in Japan on 17-18 March 2025 with JICA, academics, and policymakers.
- Meeting with the Mayor of Yokohama and municipal leaders on 19 March 2025 in Yokohama, Japan.
- Participating in the Kaohsiung ICLEI Workshop Series on Climate Neutral and Smart Cities (Circular Development & Innovation Workshops), China, on 18-19 March 2025.

- Participating in the ICLEI Kaohsiung Smart City Summit & Expo / 2025 CityCOP Forum in China on 20-21 March 2025.
- Participating as introductory speaker and panellist at the EDITS Quarterly Meeting on AR7 scoping and demand, held virtually on 23-24 March 2025.
- Delivering a speech at the ZGC Forum in China on 27 March 2025, engaging with Chinese Academy of Sciences leaders, CCP Politburo members, and Nobel laureates.
- Delivering a keynote address at the ZGC Forum in China on 28 March 2025.
- Delivering a pre-recorded opening speech for Sustainability Week at Eötvös High School in Budapest on 28 March 2025.
- Delivering a keynote speech at the AMO Food Systems Transformation Conference in Prague on 31 March 2025.
- Participating as invited expert at the European Space Policy Institute's "EOP as Policy Enabler" workshop at the Royal Society, London, on 3 April 2025.
- Delivering a keynote address at the EDF Europe High-Level Methane Action Event in Brussels on 7 April 2025.
- Attending the ChangeNOW Summit in Paris, beginning with a high-level dinner at the Eiffel Tower on 22 April 2025 and delivering a main stage keynote on 23 April 2025.
- Participating as invited expert at the Governance of Arctic Climate Interventions Workshop at Harvard Kennedy School, Cambridge, on 25-26 April 2025.
- Speaking at the CEE Sustainable Finance Summit in Prague on 19-21 May 2025
- Speaking at the ITF Transport Outlook Session at the ITF Summit in Leipzig on 21-23 May 2025.
- Participating in the first Luxembourg OPC Meeting with ministers and scientists on 20 May 2025 in Luxembourg.
- Holding a bilateral meeting with Luxembourgish ministers and Grand Duke Henri at LIST, Luxembourg, on 20 May 2025.
- Delivering a presentation and joined a panel at the ORLEN/MIT/CEEPR/Cambridge EPRG
   "Powering Europe's Future" Conference in Warsaw on 23-24 June 2025.
- Participating in the 2025 Living Planet Symposium in Vienna on 23 June 2025, attended by 6,000 guests, ESA, European Commission leaders, and earth scientists.
- Delivering remarks at the launch of UNESCO's report on Climate Change in Mediterranean World Heritage Cities on 30 June 2025 (online).
- Presenting at the EVOSZ Sustainability Section Meeting (online) on 8 July 2025.
- Moderating a special event on Climate and SDGs Synergies at the UN Headquarters in New York on 22 July 2025.
- Participating as panellist in the Protestant Gathering event "Climate Anxiety? Climate Hysteria? Creation Care!" in Kapisztran Square, Hungary, on 20 August 2025.
- Delivering an invited speech at the 7th Summer University "Green University Day" at Semmelweis University, Budapest, on 27 August 2025.
- Participating in the Luxembourg OPC Meeting with government and scientific representatives in Luxembourg on 4 September 2025.

# Activities conducted by IPCC Vice-Chair, Ladislaus Chang'a, include:

- Participated in the IPCC outreach event at Nelson-Mandela African Institute of Science and Technology on 31 March 2025 facilitated by Working Group II Co-Chair Bart Van den Hurk, and Head of Science of the IPCC Working Group II Technical Support Unit (TSU), Andrew Emmanuel Okem.
- Bilateral meeting with the Young Professionals Climate and Sustainability Subcommittee of the IEEE on 18 June 2025, and discussed about progress in AR7 programme of work and modality at which their group can participate;
- Attended UNFCCC's SB-62 in Bonn, from 16 to 26 June, where he:
  - Participated in the side event on connecting local designs with sustainable climate action held on 17 June 2025, organized by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) through the Young Professionals Climate and Sustainability Subcommittee

- Participated and facilitated discussion in the breakout group of the research dialogue on 17 June 2025
- Meet and held discussion with the Research and Independent Non-Governmental Organizations (RINGOs) on 26 June 2025. Updated the group on the progress of the programme work in AR7 and explained and encouraged the expert to participate in the review process and in dissemination of IPCC products;
- Met and held discussion with YOUNGOs on 26 June 2025. Provided brief overview of the progress of the seventh assessment cycle, and encouraged all youth and early career scientists to actively participate in the IPCC process including in the review and dissemination of IPCC products;
- Met and held discussion with ICIMOD Director General and his team on 25 June 2025 and encouraged them to mobilize their experts to actively participate in the IPCC process including in the review and dissemination of IPCC products
- Attended bilateral meetings with IPCC Focal points and government delegations from several African, European, Middle Eastern and Asian countries, as well the LDCs, AGN.
- Participated in the virtual meeting with the representative of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) through the Young Professionals Climate and Sustainability Subcommittee on 20 August 2025. They express interest to strengthen their involvement, participation and contributions to the work of IPCC.

## Activities conducted by IPCC Vice-Chair, Ramón Pichs-Madruga, include:

- Lecture for students of the Higher Institute of International Affairs (ISRI, Havana) on the work of the IPCC, 24 January 2025.
- Participation in the 6th International Conference for the Balance of the World, organized by the
  Office of the José Martí Program (OPM, Havana) of the Ministry of Culture of Cuba. Co-organizer
  and speaker on the panel on global socioeconomic and environmental risks and challenges for
  development. Presentation of key findings of IPCC AR6, 29 January 2025.
- Discussion on the proposal to increase and improve the incorporation of indigenous knowledge in the IPCC's 7th Assessment Report, with a representative of the UN Foundation, 6 February 2025.
- Meeting with two representatives of the IPCC Observer organization, the Inuit Circumpolar Council, on the margins of the IPCC P-62 Plenary Session in Hangzhou, China, 27 February 2025.
- Recording for the IPCC Communications Team on the IPCC literature review: lessons for AR7, in the margins of the IPCC P-62 Plenary in Hangzhou, China, 28 February 2025.
- Meeting with the Vice-Chair of the China National Meteorological Administration, in the margins of the IPCC P-62 Plenary in Hangzhou, China, February 2025.
- Speaker at a virtual seminar for LAC (co-organized by the IPCC) on the IPCC author nomination process for AR7, 3 April 2025.
- Invited to two virtual Seminars (co-organized by the IPCC) for Experts from Indigenous Communities on the IPCC author nomination process for AR7, 7 and 8 April 2025.
- Speaker at a regional seminar for LAC (virtual) on Climate Justice, organized by the Lutheran World Federation. Theme: Climate Change and Development, with presentation of key findings of IPCC AR6, 7 April 2025.
- Interview with Professor Hannah Hughes (UK) on the IPCC's work experience, 17 April 2025.
- Informal meeting (virtual) of the IPCC Scenarios Group and the IPBES Ad Hoc Working Group on Scenarios and Models, 6 May 2025.
- Preparatory meeting (virtual) for the Workshop on Scenarios and Indigenous Knowledge in the Context of IPBES, 12 May 2025.
- Workshop on Scenarios and Indigenous Knowledge in the Context of IPBES, Subic Bay, Philippines, 23-26 May 2025.

#### Annex 1 — Summary of the analysis of the AR6 bibliography

To inform literature access for the AR7, an analysis of the publishing landscape of the AR6 was conducted. It grouped citations of the Working Group (WG) contributions to the AR6 and linked these to publishing information. The distinction was made between journal articles (typically peer-reviewed; about 50,000 unique citations), conference papers (about 300 unique citations) and any other type (for example books, reports; about 9,000 unique citations).

The main analysis focused on the citation of journal articles. Each article cited was linked to a publication title and from there to publishers, differentiating between title owners and publishing platforms where necessary. Information on access type was sporadic, but considered everywhere possible. Journal titles were matched against the Scopus database, which comprise approximately 47,000 journals, and missing information was consequently added manually, relying on the information available on the publishers' websites.

The AR6 WGs differ in the spread of journal titles they cited, with the WGI citations dominated by a handful of journals, while the WGII and WGIII citations were more equally distributed amongst many more journals.

Overall, the citation landscape was found to be dominated by four publishing groups, with Elsevier accounting for 24% of all journal titles cited, Springer Nature for 20% and John Wiley & Sons for 15% — almost 60% of all citations, with the majority of these not being available in open access.

Work is expected to continue on pursuing this analysis and deepening the diversity aspects behind the citations.