



The AR6 process: How the IPCC produces reports

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The role of the IPCC is ...

“... to assess on a comprehensive, objective, open and transparent basis the scientific, technical and socio-economic information relevant to understanding the scientific basis of risk of human-induced climate change, its potential impacts and options for adaptation and mitigation.”

“IPCC reports should be neutral with respect to policy, although they may need to deal objectively with scientific, technical and socio-economic factors relevant to the application of particular policies.”

Principles Governing IPCC Work, paragraph 2

Source: <http://www.ipcc.ch/pdf/ipcc-principles/ipcc-principles.pdf>

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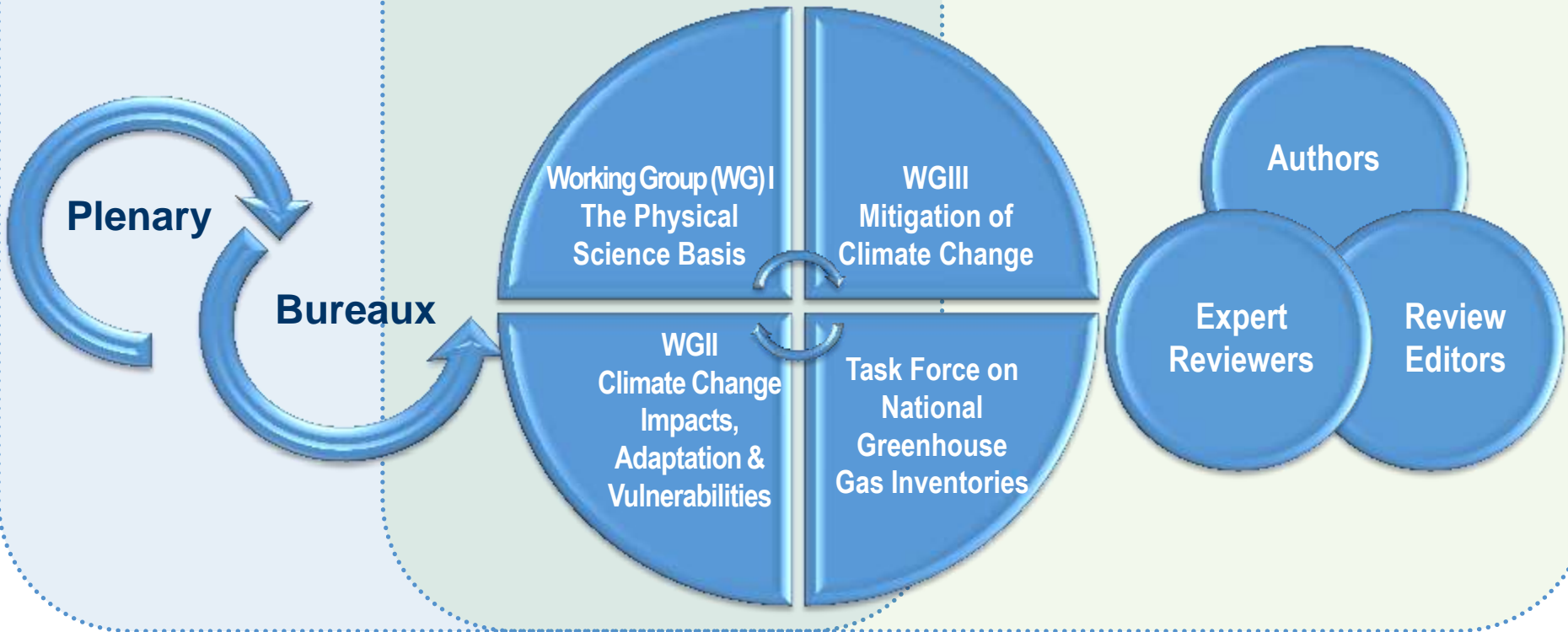


Science/Policy Interface

IPCC – jointly established by **WMO** and **UNEP**, action endorsed by the **UN General Assembly**

Intergovernmental Panel: 195 member States appointing National Focal Points

Hundreds of **scientists and experts from around the world** are involved in the preparation of IPCC reports



IPCC Reports

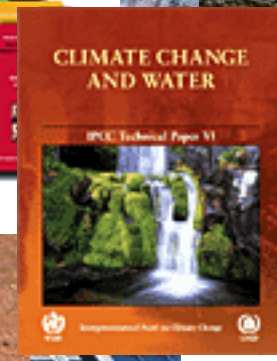
Five assessment reports (1990, 1995, 2001, 2007, 2013-14)

1992 supplementary report and 1994 special report

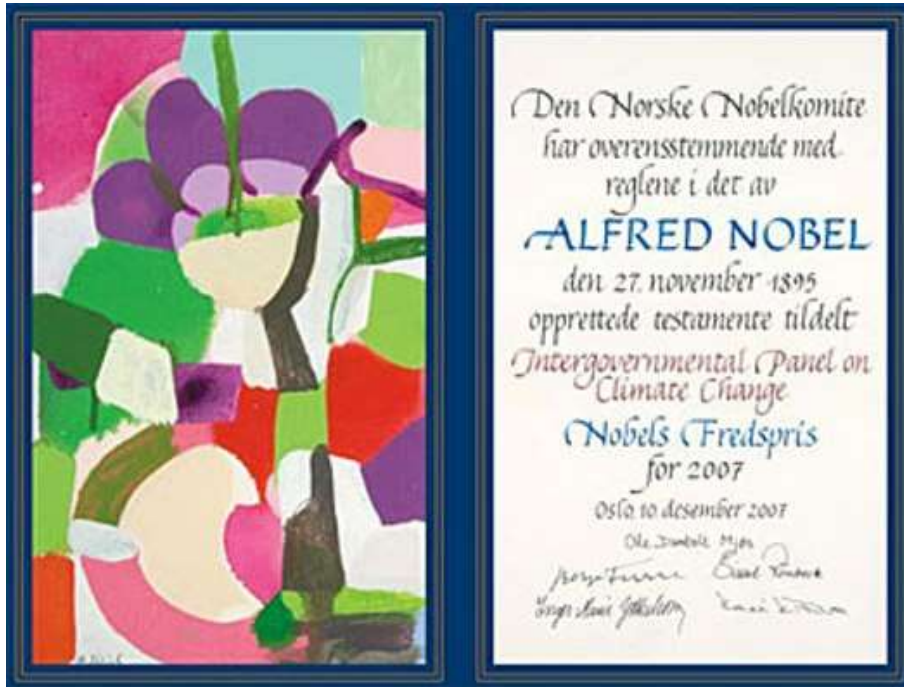
Nine special reports (1997, 1999, 2000, 2005, 2011, 2012)

Guidelines for national GHG inventories, good practice guidance (1995, 1996, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2013)

Six technical papers (1996-2008)



Achievements: 2007 Nobel Peace Prize



The **Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change** and **Albert Arnold (Al) Gore Jr.** were awarded the **Nobel Peace Prize**

"for their efforts to build up and disseminate greater knowledge about man-made climate change, and to lay the foundations for the measures that are needed to counteract such change".

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Achievements: 2013/2014 Fifth Assessment Report



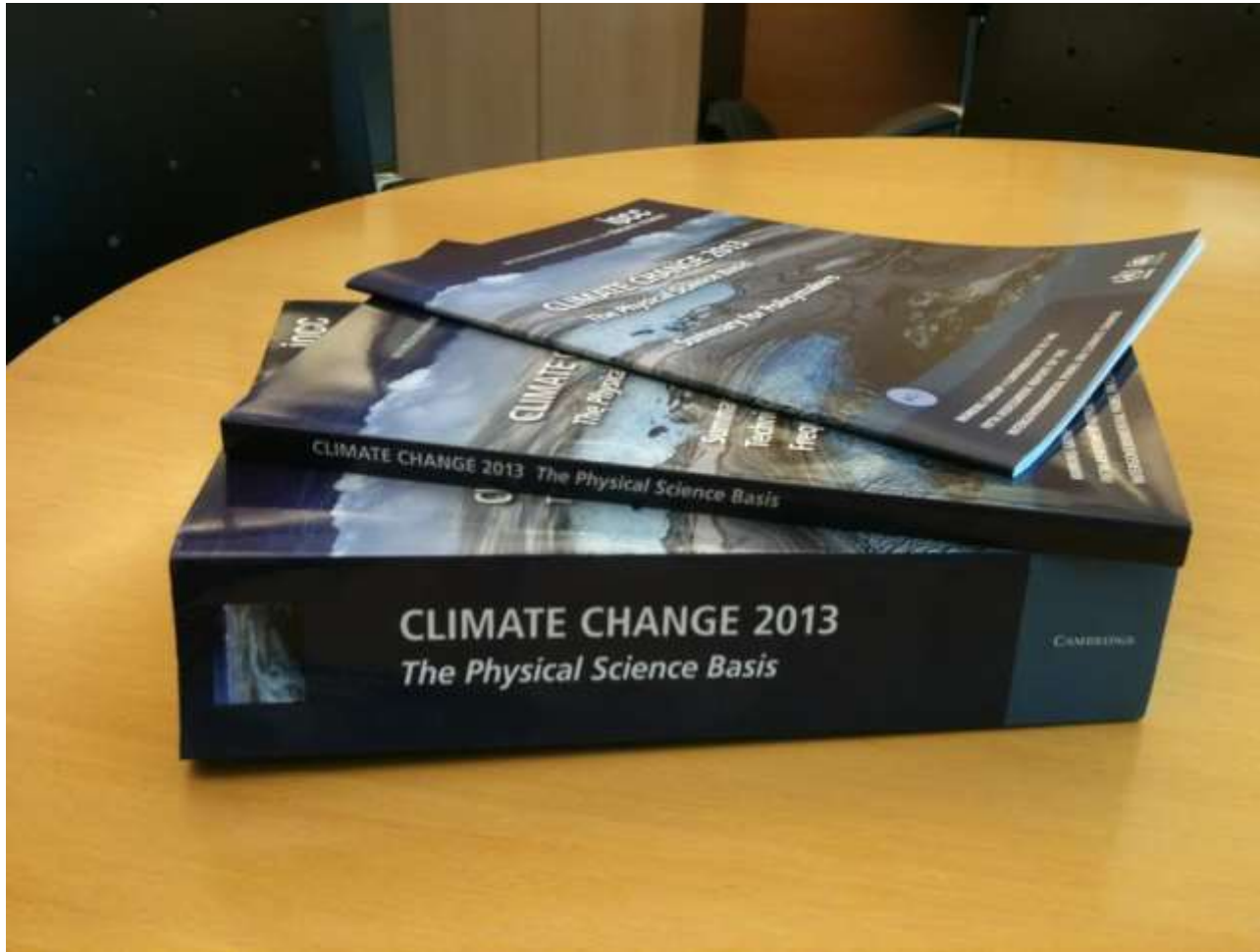
Key messages

Human influence on the climate system is clear

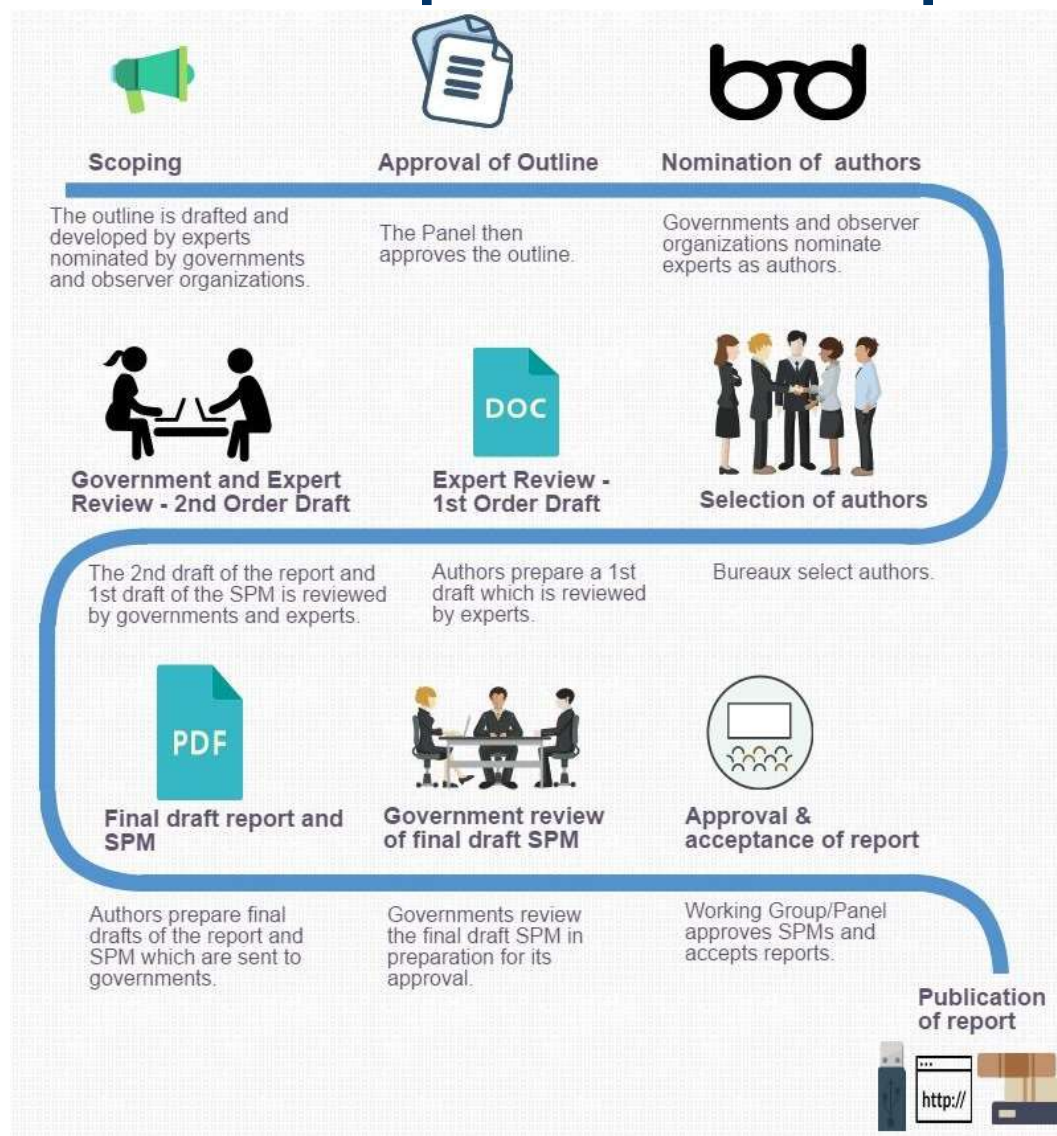
The more we disrupt our climate, the more we risk severe, pervasive and irreversible impacts

We have the means to limit climate change and build a more prosperous, sustainable future

Finding your way round the report



How the IPCC produces its reports?





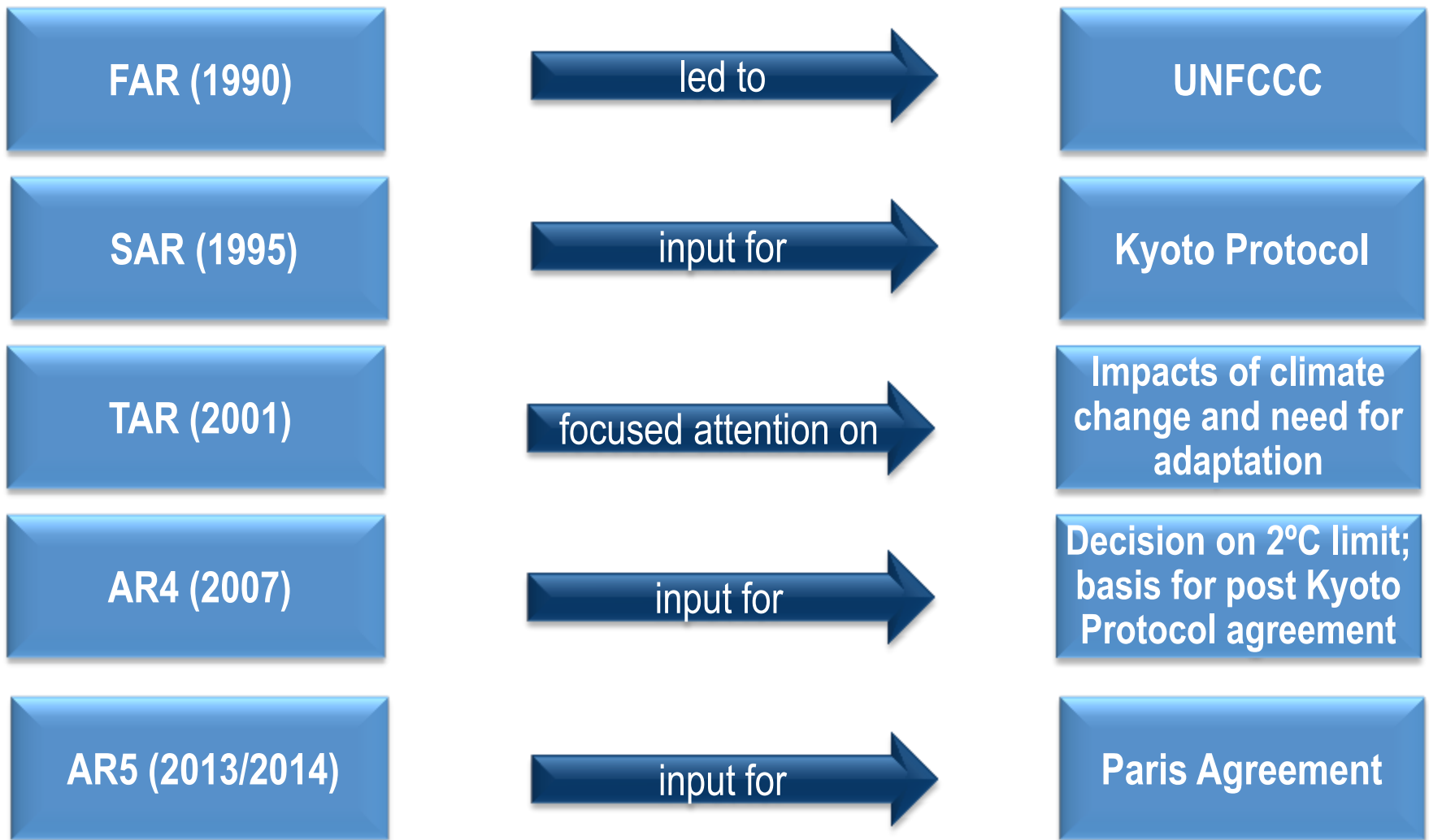








Achievements: The Assessment Reports



IPCC and the Paris Agreement 2015



Some decisions of COP-21 and CMP-11 and conclusions of SBSTA-43 mention the IPCC explicitly

Several other decisions of COP-21 are relevant to the work of the IPCC

IPCC has an institutional role in the implementation of the Paris Agreement



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Other Activities and Achievements

National Greenhouse Gas Inventories
(Publication of IPCC Methodology Reports)



Task Group on Data and Scenario Support for Impact and Climate Analysis (TGICA):
facilitates distribution and application of climate change related data and scenarios)



Organizing expert meetings and workshops to facilitate
discussion on topics relevant to the Assessment process

What is next for the IPCC?

IPCC Decision XLIII-5

“To take the outcomes of the 21st Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) into consideration when determining the IPCC programme of work and products for the sixth IPCC assessment cycle”

AR6 cycle Special Reports on



impacts of global warming of **1.5 °C** above pre-industrial levels and related global greenhouse gas emission pathways by 2018



Climate change and **oceans** and the **cryosphere**



Climate change, **desertification**, **land degradation**, **sustainable land management**, **food security**, and **greenhouse gas fluxes in terrestrial ecosystems**

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What is next for the IPCC? (cont.)

AR6 Main Report



Expected to be released in **three working group contributions** in 2020/2021 and a **Synthesis Report** in 2022

Methodology Report update



Methodology Report on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories by **2019**

Cities



Attention on **cities** in AR6 including a conference and special report on cities in AR7

What is next for the IPCC? (cont.)



Provide **IPCC library facility** to assist the work particularly of authors from developing countries



Update the **IPCC Communications Strategy**



Further enhance **outreach activities**

Some IPCC Outreach Activities



IPCC and the Media

Press Conferences



Media Workshops



Interviews



Topics often in the news

Balance of reports
Selection of authors
Grey literature
Review process
Confidentiality of drafts
Approval process
Errors

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