

Outreach Event on the IPCC Role, Activities and Findings

30 November - 1 December 2016

Kingston, Jamaica

Draft Programme

Venue: University of the West Indies, Regional Headquarters Building, Mona, Kingston 7, Jamaica West Indies

Concept: Regional outreach event for the Caribbean focusing on the work of the IPCC, the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) process, including the Special Reports as well as the Fifth Assessment Report (AR5) findings.

Target audience: Policymakers at national, state and city government level; international and intergovernmental organizations; climate and disaster risk management community; business leaders and organizations; civil society organizations; local science and research community; youth groups and students, national, regional and international media.

Objectives:

- To raise awareness, especially among policymakers and the scientific community from the region, about the IPCC, its role, activities and workplan for the AR6.
- To present the outcomes of the AR5, demonstrate how climate change is affecting the region and highlight solutions to the challenges.
- To enlist the participation of the local science and research community in climate research and encourage regional participation in the AR6.
- To foster a better understanding among the news media about climate science, solutions to climate change and the IPCC process.

Language: English

PROGRAMME SUMMARY

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OPENING, PRESS CONFERENCE, IPCC ROLE, ACTIVITIES AND FINDINGS	09:00 – 17:00
REGISTRATION (for Event Participants)	08:00 – 09:00
OFFICIAL OPENING	09:00 – 10:00
PRESS CONFERENCE	10:00 – 10:30
TEA/COFFEE BREAK	10:30 – 11:00
IPCC ROLE AND ACTIVITIES: FOCUS ON AR6 and S.R. 1.5	11:00 – 12:30
LUNCH BREAK	12:30 – 14:00
EVENT FOR STUDENTS (in parallel)	12:30 – 14:00
FIFTH ASSESSMENT REPORT	14:00 – 14:30
THE PHYSICAL SCIENCE BASIS	14:30 – 15:00
ADAPTATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE	15:00 – 16:30
MITIGATION OF CLIMATE CHANGE	16:30 – 17:00
BUSINESS AND CLIMATE ACTION - A CONVERSATION	17:30 – 19:00

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WORKSHOPS/SEMINARS	09:00 – 16:30
1.5 TO STAY ALIVE	09:00 – 10:30
SCIENCE-POLICY DIALOGUE	10:30 – 13:00
LUNCH BREAK	13:00 – 14:00
CAPACITY BUILDING FOR LOCAL SCIENCE AND RESEARCH COMMUNITY	14:00 – 16:30

PROGRAMME IN DETAIL

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OPENING, PRESS CONFERENCE, IPCC ROLE, ACTIVITIES AND FINDINGS

OFFICIAL OPENING 09.00 – 10:00

- The National Anthem
- Opening Remarks – Lt Col (ret'd) Oral Khan Master of Ceremonies
- Welcome Prof Dale Webber Pro- Vice Chancellor, University of the West Indies, Mona Campus
- Remarks by Mr Gerard Alleng Climate Change Expert IADB
- Remarks by Dr Ulric Trotz, Caribbean Community Climate change Centre
- Cultural Item Immaculate Conception High School
- Remarks by Dr Hoesung Lee, Chairman, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
- Keynote Address by The Most Honourable Andrew Holness, Prime Minister
- Closing Remarks

PRESS CONFERENCE 10.15 – 10.45

- Moderator: Jonathan Lynn, IPCC Head of Communications (tbc)
- Panellists: Hoesung Lee, IPCC Chair;
 - Thelma Krug, IPCC Vice-Chair,
 - Ms UnaMay Gordon, Principal Director Climate Change Division, MEGJC
 - Prof. Dale Webber, PVC Research,
 - Prof. John Agard and
 - Prof. Michael Taylor

TEA/COFFEE BREAK & VIEWING OF DISPLAY 10.45 –11.00

PRESENTATION ON THE IPCC ROLE AND ACTIVITIES FOCUSED ON AR6 & S.R. 1.5 11.00 – 12.30

Introduction to the IPCC by Jonathan Lynn, IPCC Head of Communications (10 min) Overview on the future activities of the IPCC from 2016 to 2022 and the production of the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) with focus on the IPCC Special Report on the impacts of global warming of 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels and related global greenhouse gas emission pathways by Thelma Krug, IPCC Vice-Chair (20 min) followed by Q&As session and panel discussions (1h).

LUNCH BREAK & POSTER SESSION 12.30 –14.00



EVENT FOR STUDENTS

12.30 – 14.00

- Opening and introduction by Dr Tennessee Stephenson
- Remarks by Dr Hoesung Lee IPCC Chair
- Climate change the Jamaican context by Jacqueline Spence, Head Climate Branch, Met Service
- The physical basis of climate change by Inés Camilloni, IPCC author
- Impacts, adaptation and vulnerability: implications for Jamaica by John Agard, IPCC author
- The outcomes of the COP 22 of relevance to Jamaica by Cliff Mahlun
- Q&As

FIFTH ASSESSMENT REPORT

14.00 – 14.30

Moderator: Jonathan Lynn

Overview of the Fifth Assessment Report and the Key Messages of the Synthesis Report by Hoesung Lee, IPCC Chair (tbc) followed by Q&S

WGI: THE PHYSICAL SCIENCE BASIS

14.30 – 15.00

Moderator: Prof. Michael Taylor

The physical basis of climate change: key messages of the AR5 WGI contribution

Speaker: Inés Camilloni, IPCC WGI Author

Q&A

WGII: IMPACTS, ADAPTATION AND VULNERABILITY

15:00 – 16:10

Moderator: Dr. David Smith

- Adaptation to climate change: key messages of the AR5 WGII contribution with focus on oceans
Speaker: Hans-Otto Pörtner (via video), IPCC WGII Co-Chair IPCC WGII Co-Chair
 - Small Island States
Speakers: John Agard, IPCC author
 - Perspectives from the Pacific
Speaker: Arthur Webb (via video), IPCC author
- Q&A

WGIII: MITIGATION OF CLIMATE CHANGE

16:10 – 16:50

Moderator: Mr. Evan Thompson

- Mitigation of climate change: key messages of the AR5 WGIII contribution
Speaker: Ramón Pichs-Madruga, IPCC WGIII Vice-Chair
- Q&A



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BUSINESS AND CLIMATE ACTION - A CONVERSATION

17:30 – 19:00

Audience: Private and public sector

Moderator: Elanor Jones

Panellists: Hoesung Lee, IPCC Chair; Thelma Krug, IPCC Vice-Chair, Ramon Pichs-Madruga, IPCC WGIII Vice-Chair; Denis Chung CEO, Private Sector Organisation; HE Malgorzata Wasilewska, Ambassador of the EU to Jamaica; Mr Gerard Alleng Climate Change Expert IADB,

Objective: This workshop will discuss the key messages of AR5 with a specific focus on the actions, trends and implications for the business. It could also be focused on specific business sector/s of importance to your country. It will provide an opportunity for dialogue between the business and the public sector with the input from IPCC scientists.

Questions:

- What are the key findings of the AR5 for the business sector?
- How is and will climate change affect your business?
- What are the risks to your business from unmitigated climate change?
- What policy actions would help businesses reduce their greenhouse gas emissions without hurting growth?
- What are the implications and risks for current business models?
- Why should the business sector play a role in climate change adaptation and mitigation?
- What actions could your business take?
- What are the opportunities for particular sectors?

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WORKSHOPS/SEMINARS

9:00 – 17:00

1.5 TO STAY ALIVE: A CARIBBEAN PERSPECTIVE

9:00 – 10:30

Audience: General Audience including Government Representatives, academics, students and researchers, media and NGOs

Moderator: John Agard

Keynote speakers: Thelma Krug, IPCC Vice-Chair

Panellists: Caribbean policymakers and scientists. Three 10 min presentations: (i) the first focussing on 1.5 as a CARICOM mandate Dr Ulric Trotz (ii) a physical science summary of the Caribbean at 1.5 Michael Taylor from the Caribbean 1.5 project; (iii) an impacts kaleidoscope drawing on case studies from the Caribbean 1.5 project Tannecia Stephenson UWI.

Q&A to follow.

Objective: This workshop will explore one of the key climate change message proffered by the Caribbean and summarised by the familiar slogan “1.5 to Stay Alive” slogan. It will also expose participants to Caribbean science; explore the significance and potential urgency of the 1.5 message for the Caribbean including its role in baseline setting for development focused action; and introduce participants to Caribbean physical and social scientists working on climate change projections and impacts. It will provide a context for the parallel sessions to follow by painting the picture of the Caribbean in a 1.5 versus 2 degree or higher world.

Some questions:

- Why 1.5?
- What will the Caribbean look like in a 1.5 degree world – physical manifestations
- What will the Caribbean look like in a 1.5 degree world – impacts
- In light of the above what does 1.5 mean for regional development planning?
- Is there a regional mitigation mandate implied by 1.5?
- What are some of the regional implications if 1.5 is not attained?
- Updates on the status of the IPCC Special Report on 1.5C and how the Caribbean countries could contribute to its development.
- What is the role of civil society in helping to keep global players on track to realising the 1.5 target?



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SCIENCE-POLICY INTERFACE DIALOGUE

10.30 –13.00

Audience: Government representatives/researchers/NGOs

Moderator: Dr Betsy Bandy

Panellists: Inés Camilloni, Ramón Pichs-Madruga , Thelma Krug, John Agard, Dr Orville Grey; Mr. Carlos Fuller, 5C's; Marilyn Headley, Forestry Department. Each one to deliver short introductions so as to allow ample time to interact with the audience.

Objective: This workshop will discuss the key messages of the AR5 Working Group reports with a specific focus on small island states in the Caribbean. It will provide an opportunity for dialogue between local, regional and national policymakers and other stakeholders on the challenges and priority actions on climate change with the input from IPCC scientists.

Some questions:

- What are the most troubling aspects of climate change for the country/region?
Water, food, coastal inundation, other?
- How is climate change already affecting the country/region?
- How is climate change expected to affect the country/region's development agenda?
- What are the most effective actions currently underway in the region for reducing greenhouse gas emissions?
- What are the most effective actions currently underway in the region for adapting to climate change?
- How can the business community help prevent climate change?
- What can everyday people do to curb climate change?
- What lessons can other developing countries learn from your country's example?
- What is the role of the genders in the regional effort to build climate resilience?

LUNCH BREAK

13:00 – 14:00

CAPACITY BUILDING FOR LOCAL SCIENCE AND RESEARCH COMMUNITY

14.00 –16.30

Audience: Research and Academia, Students

Moderator: : PVC Dale Webber (UWI)

Speakers: Inés Camilloni, John Agard, Ramón Pichs-Madruga, Thelma Krug and A. Anthony Chen.

Objective: This workshop will raise awareness on the role of the IPCC and its authors, the IPCC process in general and the opportunities for local scientists during the AR6. It will provide an opportunity for a dialogue between local research community and IPCC scientists. Discussions and Q&As will follow the short presentations.

Questions:

- Building a community of climate scientists (new breed of scientists)
- How can local scientists build a pipeline of papers from the region that can be assessed in future assessment reports?
- How can emerging local scientists become IPCC Authors?



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- How can we ensure that research on the pressing issues facing Jamaica and the region is fully assessed in the IPCC?
- Early sight of emerging research challenges and new understanding of climate change to inform local research agenda
- Exposing new and existing students and post-docs to the culture and practice of the international research community
- AR6: Prospects to improve national/regional contribution to future assessments

Closure

16.30 – 16.50

Oral Khan and Thelma Krug