

Special IPCC/SBSTA Event

- Very opportune timing of this Special Event
 - IPCC is on its early stages of development of the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6)
 - Paris Agreement has been delivered by the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC in December
 - Implementation of some of the provisions of the Paris Agreement might be facilitated by a timely discussion between the Parties and the IPCC
 - Global stocktake and transparency of actions are examples

Global Stocktake

- The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement agreed:
 - to periodically take stock of the implementation of the Agreement to assess the collective progress towards achieving the purpose of the Agreement and its long-term goals. It shall do so ... in the light of the best available science.
 - the first global stocktake is in 2023 and every 5 years thereafter.
- **Sources of the global stocktake are the latest reports of the IPCC.**
- The SBSTA has been requested to provide advice on **how the assessments of the IPCC can inform the global stocktake** of the implementation of the Agreement.

Goals of this IPCC/SBSTA event

- The special IPCC/SBSTA event results should:
 - provide the IPCC representatives with a better understanding of the information needs of the global stocktake that are relevant for the IPCC to consider in this new cycle
 - not be considered to be part of the negotiations and hence, no decisions are expected to be taken

Latest Panel Decisions – April 2016

- Decisions at the 43rd plenary session last April, in Nairobi
 - to take the outcomes of COP21 into account when determining the IPCC programme of work and products for the sixth IPCC assessment cycle.
 - to consider the approval of the Synthesis Report of AR6 as soon as possible in 2022, just in time for the 2023 UNFCCC Global Stocktaking
 - To develop Special Reports (3) from 31 proposals + 1 from UNFCCC
 - However, none of the issues proposed will be left out from consideration in AR6

Synchronizing the work of the IPCC with the Global Stocktake

- Panel agreed the AR6 to be delivered at an appropriate timing to feed into the 2023 Global Stocktaking
- Panel requested the Secretariat to prepare proposals for aligning the work of the IPCC during the next Assessment Report (AR7) with the needs of the global stocktake foreseen under the Paris Agreement
 - submit these proposals for consideration at a Plenary session of the IPCC no later than 2018.
- The AR7 cycle will include a Special Report on climate change and cities

IPCC Approaches

- IPCC Assessments, Special Reports, Methodology Reports
 - The writing and review of IPCC reports and other publications is done in accordance with the **"Procedures for the preparation, review, acceptance, adoption, approval and publication of IPCC Reports"** contained in Appendix A to the **Principles Governing IPCC Work**.

http://www.ipcc.ch/organization/organization_procedures.shtml

