

INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON CLIMATE CHANGE



Scoping Meeting:
Possible Special Report on
"Extreme Events and Disasters:
Managing the Risks"
Oslo, Norway • 23-26 March 2009

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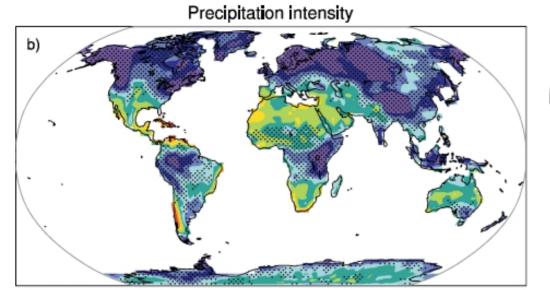
THE SCOPING MEETING WOULD ASSESS THE FEASIBILITY AND IMPACT, AS WELL AS TO SCOPE THE STRUCTURE AND SCHEDULE OF THE SPECIAL REPORT

If the scooping meeting recommends the Special Report

and the IPCC approves it

It will be finished by 2011

BACKGROUND



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Dry days

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Projected changes in extremes

Intensity of precipitation events is projected to increase.

Even in areas where mean precipitation decreases, precipitation intensity is projected to increase but there would be longer periods between rainfall events.

Extremes will have more impact than changes in mean climate.

AT THE 29TH SESSION OF THE PANEL (SEPTEMBER 2008, GENEVA, SWITZERLAND), NORWAY INTRODUCED A PROPOSAL, PREPARED IN **COLLABORATION WITH THE** SECRETARIAT OF THE INTERNATIONAL STRATEGY FOR DISASTER REDUCTION (ISDR), FOR A SPECIAL REPORT ON **EXTREME EVENTS AND DISASTERS, WITH** AN EMPHASIS ON RISK MANAGEMENT.

AT THE 38TH SESSION OF THE IPCC BUREAU (NOVEMBER 2008, GENEVA,), A REVISED PROPOSAL WAS PRESENTED AND THE BUREAU AGREED TO FURTHER DEVELOP THE CONCEPT AND TO CONVENE A SCOPING MEETING.

- THE NORWEGIAN POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY HAS OFFERED TO HOST THE MEETING IN OSLO, NORWAY, FROM 23-26 MARCH 2009.

- Climate-related extreme events and future projections
- 2. Observed impacts of extreme events and future outlook
- 3. Vulnerability to extreme events, drivers, trends, and distribution
- 4. Current practice in reducing vulnerability and disaster risk
- 5. Strategies for reducing the risks related to future extreme events
- 6. Towards a sustainable and resilient future

THE OUTCOME OF THE MEETING SHOULD BE SUBMITTED FOR **CONSIDERATION AT THE 30TH SESSION OF THE IPCC (21-23 APRIL** 2009, ANTALYA, TURKEY) FOR A FORMAL DECISION ON UNDERTAKING THE PROPOSED SPECIAL REPORT

Thank you