

Climate Change and Land

An IPCC special report on climate change, desertification, land degradation, sustainable land management, food security, and greenhouse gas fluxes in terrestrial ecosystems

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Report

At its 43rd Session (Nairobi, Kenya, 11 – 13 April 2016), the IPCC Panel decided to prepare a special report on climate change, desertification, land degradation, sustainable land management, food security, and greenhouse gas fluxes in terrestrial ecosystems.

Experts met on 13 – 14 February 2017 in Dublin, Ireland to prepare a draft [outline](#) for the report.

At its 40th Session (Guadalajara, Mexico, 28 – 31 March 2017), the Panel approved the outline for Climate Change and Land: an IPCC special report on climate change, desertification, land degradation, sustainable land management, food security, and greenhouse gas fluxes in terrestrial ecosystems.

The Special Report will be developed under the joint scientific leadership of Working Groups I, II, III and the Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories, and supported by the WG III TSU.

Authors and Review Editors

A call for nomination of authors was sent to [governments](#), [observer organizations](#) and [IPCC Bureau Members](#) on 9 April 2017. They were asked to submit their nominations via their focal points before Wednesday, 17 May 2017 (midnight CEST) using the online portal.

103 experts from 92 countries were selected as Coordinating Lead Authors and Lead Authors – who will draft each individual chapter – and Review Editors, who will ensure that comments by experts and governments are given appropriate consideration as the report develops. The Special Report is scheduled to be finalized in August 2019 (TBC).

The full list of Coordinating Lead Authors, Lead Authors and Review Editors is [here](#). Graphics that provide background information about the nominees are available [here](#)

[LAM\ press release](#): IPCC holds First Lead Author Meeting for Special Report on Climate Change and Land

Pre-Scoping

[The Steering Committee](#) for the Special Report on climate change, desertification, land degradation, sustainable land management, food security, and greenhouse gas fluxes in terrestrial ecosystems circulated a questionnaire to IPCC Focal Points and Observer Organizations ahead of the Scoping Meeting in February 2017 to get input on the structure and contents of the report. You can download the [questionnaire](#) and stakeholder consultation report [here](#).

Scoping

A scoping meeting for the Special Report on climate change, desertification, land degradation, sustainable land management, food security, and greenhouse gas fluxes in terrestrial ecosystems was held on 13 – 14 February 2017 in Dublin, Ireland. The meeting resulted in a [draft scoping paper](#) describing the objectives and an annotated outline of the Special Report as well as the process and timeline for its preparation.

All the details of the scoping meeting are available in the [scoping meeting report](#).

[Adopted outline](#) – (The dates of the 1st Lead Author Meeting have been corrected to read 16-20 October 2017)

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First Order Draft submitted to TSU for compilation	27 May	2018
Expert review of First Order Draft Deadline ^o August	11 June- ^o August	2018
Compiled review comments to Coordinating Lead Authors	19 August	2018
Third Lead Author Meeting	3-7 September	2018

Literature deadline Literature for consideration by report authors must be submitted to publishers by this date	28 October	2018
Second Order Draft submitted to TSU for compilation	4 November	2018
Expert and Government review of Second Order Draft Deadline 13 January 2019	19 November-14 January	2018-19
Compiled review comments to Coordinating Lead Authors	23 January	2019
Fourth Lead Author Meeting	11-16 February	2019
SPM drafting workshop	20-21 March	2019
Literature deadline Literature for consideration by report authors must be accepted for publication by this date	7 April	2019
Final draft submitted to TSU	14 April	2019
Final Government distribution	29 April-23 June	2019
Approval Plenary Joint WGI-II-III session Showing 1 to 10 of 10 entries PreviousNext	2-6 August (TBC)	2019

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Graphics

Graphics and statistical reports concerning the initial nominations and shortlisting of each stage are available in the public portal. Statistical reports include nominations by:

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