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To designated IPCC Focal Points and  
Ministries of Foreign Affairs (MFAs)  
(if no focal point has been designated)

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Geneva, 5 January 2026

**Subject:** *2027 IPCC Methodology Report on Inventories for Short-lived Climate Forcers*

Sir/Madam,

You may recall that the Panel, at its Forty-ninth Session (Kyoto, Japan, 8-12 May 2019) in its Decision IPCC-XLIX-7, decided that the IPCC Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (TFI) would produce an IPCC Methodology Report on Short-lived Climate Forcers following the Appendix A to the Principles Governing IPCC work.

I have the honour to inform you of the availability of the First Order Draft (FOD) of this report. The draft report is accessible via the IPCC website at: *[Part of the text removed here]*. Please login using your IPCC credentials. **Please note that this is a confidential document which must not be distributed, cited or quoted.** We therefore kindly request you not to share the access code to the draft report.

According to IPCC procedures for preparing IPCC reports, "the first draft reports should be sent to Government Focal Points, for information along with a list of those to whom the Report has been sent for review in that country".

The IPCC issued an open call for registration to join the Expert Review on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2025. In addition, the announcement was sent directly to all nominees for the preparation of the 2027 IPCC Methodology Report on Inventories for Short-lived Climate Forcers who were not selected as authors or review editors. The report page on the IPCC website provides information on the level of participation by country and region as well as the number and origin of experts registered: <https://apps.ipcc.ch/comments/slcf/public/>.

Governments are asked to encourage additional experts to participate in the Expert Review. Prospective reviewers should register online, registration will close on **13 February 2026 midnight (GMT +1)**:

<https://apps.ipcc.ch/comments/slcf/>

The Expert Review period starts on **Monday, 5 January 2026** and ends on **Friday, 27 February 2026 midnight (GMT +1)**.

If you have any questions about the process, please contact the IPCC TFI Technical Support Unit at <nggip-tsu@iges.or.jp>.

The Government and Expert Review of the Second Order Draft of the 2027 IPCC Methodology Report on Inventories for Short-lived Climate Forcers will follow in the second-half of 2026.

A copy of this letter is being sent for information to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and to the Permanent Representatives from your country to the World Meteorological Organization and to the United Nations Environment Programme.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'A' followed by a smaller 'M' and a checkmark-like flourish.

(Abdalah Mokssit)  
Secretary of the IPCC