INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON climate change

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Geneva, 16 November 2026

Subject: IPCC Working Group III Contribution to the Seventh Assessment Report

Dear Sir/Madam,

You may recall that the Panel, at its Sixtieth Session of the IPCC (Istanbul, Türkiye, 16–19 January 2024), decided to prepare a comprehensive Seventh Assessment Report (AR7), inclusive of a contribution of Working Group III (WGIII) on the Mitigation of Climate Change.

Following a Scoping meeting in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, in December 2024, the outline of the WGIII contribution to the AR7 was approved at the Fifteenth Session of Working Group III and adopted at the Sixty-Second Session of the IPCC, both of which took place in Hangzhou, China, in February 2025.

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 log in using your IPCC credentials. **This draft is provided on a confidential basis in accordance with IPCC procedures and must not be distributed, cited or quoted.** Access credentials must not be shared. Access to the draft is provided for information purposes in line with IPCC procedures and does not in itself constitute participation in the expert review. Participation in the review requires separate registration through the IPCC review system.

According to IPCC procedures for preparing IPCC reports, "the first draft reports should be sent to Government Focal Points, for information". The IPCC issued an open call for registration to join the Expert Review on Monday 9 November 2026. In addition, the announcement was sent directly to all nominees for the preparation of the WGIII contribution to the AR7 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/ar7wg3/public/

Governments are asked to encourage experts to participate in the Expert Review through the open registration process. Prospective reviewers should register online, registration will close on **26 January 2027, 23:59 (GMT+2)**:

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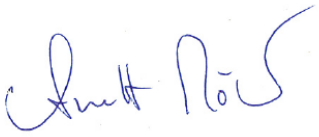
WMO UN environment programme

The Expert Review period starts on **Monday, 16 November 2026, and ends on Tuesday, 2 February 2027, 23:59 (GMT+2).**

If you have any questions about the process, please contact the IPCC Working Group III Technical Support Unit at tsu_operations@ipccwg3.org.

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,



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