

# From the ozone scientific assessments to the IPCC

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## **Change in atmospheric concentrations**



https://www.esrl.noaa.gov

# **Change in radiative forcing**



https://www.esrl.noaa.gov

# Human influence on global climate

#### Contributions to observed surface temperature change over the period 1951–2010



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# Change in global mean surface air temperature



*WMO, 2017; Hawkins et al, BAMS, 2017* 

>1°C above pre-

# **Parallel historical aspects**

- Emergence of scientific knowledge related to human influence on stratospheric ozone and climate in the 1970s
- Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer 1985 Montréal Protocol 1987
- IPCC established by WMO/UNEP in 1988, expanding the ICSU/UNEP/WMO Advisory Group on GHG set up in 1985; first report in 1990
- UNEP/WMO international scientific assessments on ozone depletion; first report in 1994
- United Nation Framework Convention on Climate Change 1992
   Kyoto Protocol 1997
   Paris Agreement 2015

# **Major differences**

- Level of inter-disciplinarity
- Emissions of climate forcers from all sectors of activity
- Level of complexity, scientific challenges e.g. for attribution of observed climate changes and impacts to human influence
- Perception of risks (remote, long-term)
- Diversity of solutions in regions / sectors (risk management, adaptation and mitigation options), multiple levels of governance
- Ethics and equity
- Merchants of doubt

# **Future of the IPCC**

- 30th anniversary in spring 2018 (47th Plenary Session, Paris)
- Future of IPCC
- Clear communication of findings (headline statements...)
- Relevance for a diversity of end-users (e.g. cities, industry, finance...)
- Funding?
- 5 year cycles of the global stocktake of the Paris Agreement?



# **Key scientific intersections**

• Ozone-depleting substances and stratospheric ozone are climate forcers



- Emissions of climate forcers CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O affect stratospheric ozone through changes in stratospheric temperature, water vapor, and reactive gases which affect ozone chemistry
- Well mixed greenhouse gases and ozone depletion cause low stratospheric cooling
- Solar radiation management scenarios have implications for stratospheric temperature, circulation, and ozone
- Ozone depletion and human influence on climate may have counteracting consequences for Southern Hemisphere circulation changes and regional climate (including Antarctica)



### **Drivers of Climate Change**

Emissions of ozone-depleting halocarbons *very likely* cause a net positive forcing as their direct radiative effect is larger than the impact of the stratospheric ozone depletion that they induce.



#### Understanding the Climate System and Its Recent Changes

There is *medium confidence* that stratospheric ozone depletion has contributed to the observed poleward shift of the southern Hadley Cell border during austral summer. It is *likely* that stratospheric ozone depletion has contributed to the positive trend in the SAM seen in austral summer since the mid-20th century which corresponds to sea level pressure reductions over the high latitudes and increase in the subtropics.





### **Projections of Global and Regional Climate Change**

#### Near term changes in atmospheric circulation

It is *likely* that the annual mean Hadley Circulation and the SH mid-latitude westerlies will shift poleward, while it is *likely* that the projected recovery of stratospheric ozone and increases in GHG concentrations will have counteracting impacts on the width of the Hadley Circulation and the meridional position of the SH storm track. Therefore it is *unlikely* that they will continue to expand poleward as rapidly as in recent decades.

### Long term changes in atmospheric circulation

In austral summer, the additional influence of stratospheric ozone recovery in the SH opposes changes due to GHGs there, though the net response varies strongly across models and scenarios.

The austral summer/autumn positive trend in Southern Annular Mode (SAM) *is likely* to weaken considerably as stratospheric ozone recovers through the mid-21st century with *some, but not very well documented, implications* for South America, Africa, Australia, New Zealand and Antarctica.

### **Climate geoengineering methods**

Another side effect that is *relatively well characterized* is the likelihood of modest polar stratospheric ozone depletion associated with stratospheric aerosol solar radiation management.



# **Cross-cutting issues for the coming assessments**

- Observed changes
- Process based understanding
- Model skills, fit for purpose, confidence in projections
- Detection and attribution of observed changes
- Radiative efficiencies and other metrics (global warming potential, atmospheric lifetime...)
- Predictability and near term prediction
- Scenarios and long term projections, incl. solar radiation management
- Non CO<sub>2</sub> in assessment of mitigation options and pathways

### => Coordination to be implemented after selection of IPCC authors





2030 international agenda

Global stocktake of the Paris Agreement

Scientific knowledge for risk assessment and solutions







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# **AR6 Schedule**





# **Preparation of reports**



- *Co-construction :* end-user needs & new knowledge
- Attractivity to high profile researchers : volunteers, nominations, selection pressure; expert reviewers

# Call for nominations for the AR6 WG reports open until **Oct 27, 2017**



# Global warming of 1.5°C (SR1.5)

Chapter 1: Framing and context

Chapter 2: Mitigation pathways compatible with 1.5°C in the context of sustainable development

Chapter 3: Impacts of 1.5°C global warming on natural and human systems

Chapter 4: Strengthening and implementing the global response to the threat of climate change

Chapter 5: Sustainable development, poverty eradication and reducing inequalities



# IPCC Special Report on Climate Change and Land (SRCCL)

- Chapter 1: Framing and context
- Chapter 2: Land-climate interactions
- **Chapter 3: Desertification**
- Chapter 4: Land degradation
- Chapter 5: Food security
- Chapter 6 : Interlinkages between desertification, land degradation, food security, and greenhouse gas fluxes : synergies, trade-offs and integrated response options
- Chapter 7 : Risk management and decision making
- In relation to sustainable development

# IPCC Special Report on the Ocean and Cryosphere in a Changing Climate (SROCC)

- Chapter 1: Framing and context
- Chapter 2: High mountain areas
- **Chapter 3: Polar regions**
- Chapter 4: Sea level rise and implications for low lying islands, coasts and communities
- Chapter 5: Changing ocean, marine ecosystems, and dependent communities
- Chapter 6 : Extremes, abrupt changes and managing risks
- Box : Low lying islands and coasts

# **ar6** Working Group I

Summary for Policy Makers Technical Summary

### First lead author meeting June 2018

Chapter 1: Framing, context, methods Chapter 2: Changing state of the climate system Chapter 3: Human influence on the climate system Chapter 4: Future global climate: scenario-based projections and near-term information Chapter 5: Global carbon and other biogeochemical cycles and feedbacks Chapter 6: Short-lived climate forcers Chapter 7: The Earth's energy budget, climate feedbacks, and climate sensitivity Chapter 8: Water cycle changes Chapter 9: Ocean, cryosphere, and sea level change Chapter 10: Linking global to regional climate change Chapter 11: Weather and climate extreme events in a changing climate Chapter 12: Climate change information for regional impact and for risk assessment

Annexes incl. options for a Regional Atlas and Technical Annexes Glossary

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# **ar6** Working Group II

1: Point of departure and key concepts

#### SECTION 1: Risks, adaptation and sustainability for systems impacted by climate change

- 2: Terrestrial and freshwater ecosystems and their services
- 3: Ocean and coastal ecosystems and their services
- 4: Water
- 5: Food, fibre and other services from managed ecosystems
- 6: Cities, settlements and key infrastructure
- 7: Health, wellbeing and the changing structure of communities
- 8: Poverty, livelihoods and sustainable development

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SECTION 2: Regions	CROSS-CHAPTER PAPERS
9: Africa	<ul> <li>Biodiversity hotspots</li> </ul>
10: Asia	<ul> <li>Cities and settlements by the sea</li> </ul>
11: Australasia	<ul> <li>Deserts, semi-arid areas, and desertification</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Mediterranean region</li> </ul>
12: Central and South America	Mountains
13: Europe	<ul> <li>Polar regions</li> </ul>
14: North America	Tropical forest

15: Small Islands

SECTION 3: Sustainable development pathways: integrating adaptation and mitigation

- 16: Key risks across sectors and regions
- 17: Decision-making options for managing risk
- 18: Climate resilient development pathways and transformation

# **ar6** Working Group III

- Chapter 1: Introduction and Framing
- Chapter 2: Emission trends and drivers
- Chapter 3: Mitigation pathways compatible with long-term goals
- Chapter 4: Mitigation and development pathways in the near- to mid-term
- Chapter 5: Demand, services and social aspects of mitigation
- Chapter 6: Energy systems
- Chapter 7: Agriculture, forestry, and other land uses
- Chapter 8: Urban systems and other settlements
- **Chapter 9: Buildings**
- Chapter 10: Transport
- Chapter 11: Industry
- Chapter 12: Cross sectoral perspectives
- Chapter 13: National and sub-national policies and institutions
- Chapter 14: International cooperation
- Chapter 15: Investment and finance
- Chapter 16: Innovation, technology development and transfer
- Chapter 17: Accelerating the transition in the context of sustainable development

### **Global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fossil fuel and industry**

 $36.3 \pm 1.8 \, {\rm GtCO_2}$  in 2015, 63% over 1990

Projection for 2016: 36.4  $\pm$  2.3 GtCO<sub>2</sub>, 0.2% higher than 2015



Source: CDIAC; Le Quéré et al 2016; Global Carbon Budget 2016

Global Carbon Project, 2016

## Chapter 1: Framing, context, methods

**Executive Summary** 

- Synthesis of key findings from AR5 and earlier assessment reports, and connections to AR6 Special Reports
- Framing of the physical science information relevant for mitigation, adaptation, and risk assessment in the context of the Global Stocktake
- Assessment approach
- Observational and reanalysis developments since the AR5
- Model and experimental design developments since the AR5
- Emissions and forcing scenarios
- Treatment and evaluation of uncertainty throughout the report

## Chapter 2: Changing state of the climate system

**Executive Summary** 

- Multi-millennial context, pre-industrial to present day
- Natural and anthropogenic forcings
- Radiative forcing
- Large-scale indicators of observed change in the atmosphere, ocean, cryosphere, land, and biosphere
- Modes of variability

# Chapter 3: Human influence on the climate system

**Executive Summary** 

- Overview of model performance and development since the AR5
- Simulated large-scale indicators of change in the atmosphere, ocean, cryosphere, land, and biosphere
- Simulated modes of variability
- Natural variability versus anthropogenically-forced change
- Attribution of large-scale observed changes

### Chapter 4:

# Future global climate: scenario-based projections and near-term information

**Executive Summary** 

- Projections of global mean surface temperature and other key global indicators
- Evaluation of multi-model ensemble methods
- Large scale patterns of climate change
- Committed climate response, climate targets, overshoot, irreversibility, abrupt change
- Climate response to greenhouse gas removal scenarios
- Climate response to solar radiation management scenarios
- Interplay between internal variability and response to forcings, including shortlived forcers
- Variability and unexpected changes of global mean surface temperature
- Near-term predictability, sources and capabilities
- Synthesis of climate information in the near-term

### **Chapter 5:**

### **Global carbon and other biogeochemical cycles and feedbacks**

**Executive Summary** 

- Feedbacks between climate and biogeochemical cycles, including paleoclimate information
- Ocean acidification
- Historical trends and variability of CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O; sources and sinks
- Projections of global biogeochemical cycles from near-term to long-term
- Abrupt change, irreversibility
- Model evaluation, emergent constraints
- Transient climate response to cumulative emissions and remaining carbon budgets for climate targets
- Biogeochemical implications of land and coastal management mitigation options including greenhouse gas removal
- Biogeochemical implications of solar radiation management scenarios

### **Chapter 6: Short-lived climate forcers**

**Executive Summary** 

- Key global emissions: global overview, natural, anthropogenic, historical and scenarios
- Observed and reconstructed concentrations and radiative forcing
- Direct and indirect-aerosol forcing
- Implications for greenhouse gas lifetimes
- Implications of different socio-economic and emission pathways, including urbanisation, for radiative forcing
- Connections to air quality and atmospheric composition

## Chapter 7: The Earth's energy budget, climate feedbacks, and climate sensitivity

Executive Summary

- Energy budget and its changes through time
- Radiative forcing: definitions, estimates, and its representation in models
- Climate feedbacks
- Sensitivity of the climate system: methods and uncertainty
- Empirical constraints on the sensitivity of the climate system, including paleoclimate
- Global warming potential, global temperature change potential, and other metrics

## **Chapter 8:** Water cycle changes

**Executive Summary** 

- Observations, models, methods and their reliability
- Past, present and projected changes, trends, variability and feedbacks in the physical components of the water cycle
- Circulation, processes and phenomena (e.g. monsoon systems) affecting moisture and precipitation patterns, including extremes
- Cloud-aerosol processes affecting the water cycle
- Changes in seasonality of natural storage and water availability
- Abrupt change
- Confidence in projections

## Chapter 9: Ocean, cryosphere, and sea level change

**Executive Summary** 

- Past and future changes in ocean circulation and properties (trends, variability and extremes)
- Past and future changes in marine and terrestrial cryosphere
- Evaluation of models and projection methods
- Detection and attribution
- Past global and regional sea level changes
- Projections of global and regional sea level change
- Abrupt change and long-term commitment
- Extreme water levels (tides, surge and ocean waves)

## Chapter 10: Linking global to regional climate change

**Executive Summary** 

- Regional phenomena, drivers, feedbacks and teleconnections
- Regional scale observations and reanalyses
- Interplay between internal variability and forced change at the regional scale, including attribution
- Evaluation of model improvements, methods, including downscaling and bias adjustment and regional specificities
- Confidence in regional climate information, including quantification of uncertainties
- Scale specific methodologies e.g. urban, mountains, coastal, catchments, small islands
- Approaches to synthesizing information from multiple lines of evidence

# Chapter 11:

### Weather and climate extreme events in a changing climate

**Executive Summary** 

- Extreme types encompassing weather and climate timescales and compound events (including droughts, tropical cyclones)
- Observations for extremes and their limitations, including paleo
- Mechanisms, drivers and feedbacks leading to extremes
- Ability of models to simulate extremes and related processes
- Attribution of changes in extremes and extreme events
- Assessment of projected changes of extremes and potential surprises
- Case studies across timescales

### Chapter 12: Climate change information for regional impact and for risk assessment

**Executive Summary** 

- Framing: physical climate system and hazards
- Region-specific integration of information, including confidence
- Information (quantitative and qualitative) on changing hazards: present day, near term and long term
- Region-specific methodologies
- Relationship between changing hazards, global mean temperature change, scenarios and emissions