SIXTH ASSESSMENT REPORT (AR6) PRODUCTS

Special Reports
The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change decides:

1. All of the topics contained in the Special Report proposals contained in IPCC-XLIII/Doc.8 are important and should be addressed in the AR6 suite of products.

2. In the context of the Paris Agreement, to accept the invitation from the UNFCCC to provide a special report in 2018 on the impacts of global warming of 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels and related global greenhouse gas emission pathways, and decides to prepare a Special Report on this topic in the context of strengthening the global response to the threat of climate change, sustainable development and efforts to eradicate poverty.

3. To prepare a Special Report on climate change, desertification, land degradation, sustainable land management, food security, and greenhouse gas fluxes in terrestrial ecosystems. The scoping process may consider challenges and opportunities for both adaptation and mitigation.

4. To prepare a Special Report on climate change and oceans and the cryosphere.

5. To recommend, within the AR6 scoping processes, a stronger integration of the assessment on the impacts of climate change on cities and their unique adaptation and mitigation opportunities, and make more robust the consideration of cities in the treatment of regional issues and in chapters that are focused on human settlements, urban areas and the like, including through the enhanced engagement of urban practitioners.

6. A Special Report on climate change and cities should be considered as early as possible in the AR7 cycle.

7. To consider working with academia, urban practitioners, and relevant scientific bodies and agencies, to organize an international scientific conference on climate change and cities early in the AR6 cycle, in order to stimulate scientific reports and peer reviewed publications on this subject.

8. To consider modalities for addressing and enhancing the treatment of regional issues in the scoping process for the Sixth Assessment report.