

## Q&A from e-learning course: Webinar 2

No.	Questions	Status of answer
1	Climate finance is one of the major problems especially in developing countries. What further effort will the UNFCCC and IPCC make in this regard?	Live answered
2	Being a reviewer of course is for the love of quality science and information. However, being human, why should I bother to be one? It doesn't pay and it takes the time (which is in "short" supply)	Live answered
3	What are the key factors the IPCC considers in the selection process of reviewers?	Live answered
4	Is it necessary for Lead Authors to interact with government agencies during the review process?	Live answered
5	Email issues. Saying invalid email while trying to register. Please help	Live answered
6	It's possible to have like where you can register as a reviewer?	Live answered
7	What is the chance of an expert with no experience to be selected by IPCC for First Order Draft reviewing?	Live answered
8	Being authors or expert review is it a volunteering work or a paid one?	Live answered
9	Local (endogenous) knowledge may be important for climate adaptation. How flexible is the reporting to accommodate with this kind of information?	Live answered
10	From the professional point of view what is the benefit of being a reviewer?	Live answered
11	Would a reviewer be allowed to support his review comments based on his personal research findings even when these findings are not yet published?	Live answered
12	Is it possible to know the name of reviewers to develop an CC african network between authors or the name of reviewers is confidential?	That is an excellent idea - we can do it but given privacy reasons we need permission of the individuals whether or nor to give their contact details to others. We will get back to this.
13	I have also identified climate change education as a serious problem in my country Nigeria. I wish to suggest that you do more to help us overcome this all important aspect of the UNFCCC, thank you.	We understand the problem but the ambition of this course is limited to enhance participation in reviews of IPCC reports. You may wish to consult the relevant UNFCCC web page: <a href="https://unfccc.int/topics/education-and-outreach/resources/ace-related-news">https://unfccc.int/topics/education-and-outreach/resources/ace-related-news</a>
14	Do regional economic communities like the Southern African Development Community (SADC) participate since they are intergovernmental and all our countries are members of the IPCC?	SADC is not an Observer Organisation of the IPCC. They could apply for that, and if approved SADC would have access to the plenary sessions of the IPCC. See for more information <a href="https://www.ipcc.ch/pdf/ipcc-principles/ipcc-principles-observer-org.pdf">https://www.ipcc.ch/pdf/ipcc-principles/ipcc-principles-observer-org.pdf</a>
15	Sorry I missed what MADE stands for	The MADE principles are related to effective data visuals of scientific evidence, these are Message (Does the visual communicate a clear message) Audience (is the visual appropriate for the intended audience) Design (does the visual use evidence based design principles), Evaluation (has the visual been tested with the audience)

16	Is the African Union having any role in IPCC meetings/reviews?	The African Union Commission is an IPCC Observer Organization. It has the right to participate in Plenaries and to receive regular information about IPCC activities and calls for nominations.
17	What is the chance of an expert with no experience to be selected by IPCC for First Order Draft reviewing?	If that expert registers for the specific review and signs the confidentiality agreement, he/she will be allowed to participate to the review process.
18	I'm serious. My name is Idowu Owoeye. I'm from Nigeria. I will love to be a reviewer. I have a publication.	We will send a link to where you can register to be a reviewer in post communications after the webinar. Thank you.
19	Who is responsible for IPCC Report?	In practice, the authors are held responsible for what they write but they are not legally liable for the use of the information. As the reports are accepted by the IPCC Plenary, made of government representatives, one could argue that the Members of IPCC (the governments) bear the ultimate responsibility.
20	How is it implemented and monitored?	The procedures for writing, reviewing, approving, and accepting reports should guarantee sufficient quality. If errors are spotted after publication there is an 'Error protocol' that has to be followed and, if warranted, corrections have to be published.
21	What has been the inputs of local people since they are the people affected most by the shocks and brunt of climate change?	Only as far as there is scientific literature available to the authors about local impacts. Reviewers are important to bring local literature to the attention of the authors.
22	When do the IPCC report review process start and how do African countries like Ghana take part?	For the data see the slides nr 24 of the first webinar <a href="http://www.futureclimateafrica.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/how-does-the-ipcc-work-ppts-webinar-1-corr1.pdf">http://www.futureclimateafrica.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/how-does-the-ipcc-work-ppts-webinar-1-corr1.pdf</a> . For participation of the Government of Ghana in the review of the report on global warming of 1.5 C, that is in the hands of the IPCC Focal Point of Ghana, Mr Daniel Tutu Benefoh, <a href="mailto:dbenefor2000@gmail.com">dbenefor2000@gmail.com</a> . But you can register yourself as an expert reviewer to the Special Report on Climate Change and Land (or the Special Report on Oceans and the Cryosphere), see step-by-step doc guidance on the FCFA website, see <a href="http://www.futureclimateafrica.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/guidance-how-to-register-as-an-expert-reviewer.pdf">http://www.futureclimateafrica.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/guidance-how-to-register-as-an-expert-reviewer.pdf</a> .
23	I would like to ask since IPCC does no research itself, how genuine is their report?	The IPCC analyses tens of thousands of literature sources and evaluates what messages come out of it. Since the literature is very diverse and sometimes contradictory, this kind of assessment and synthesis of knowledge is certainly genuine.
24	Do the authors work directly with IPCC or can any author submit his/her work to IPCC?	As explained in Webinar n°2, as a reviewer you can directly send your comments to the IPCC. In order to contribute to the IPCC as an author, you have to be nominated first ( for instance by your government or your institution) within a certain period; then selection of authors take place by elected officials who organise the writing teams. They do that on basis of a large number of criteria including: CV, what specific knowledge /experience do they need for a chapter, regional distribution, gender. Author nominations for the current reports (6th Assessment) are now closed but a new round is expected in 2023 for the next Assessment.