



## **Nominations for Experts to Serve CLIVAR Panels**

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CLIVAR seeks qualified individuals to serve on its Panels and Working Groups. These groups formulate goals and required strategies, catalyze and coordinate activities, and work with agencies and other international partners to advance the progress of the climate research community, particularly with regard to addressing relevant goals of the World Climate Research Programme (WCRP). Qualified nominees are expected to represent the broader interests of the research community, be willing and able to engage in scientific as well as programmatic discussions leading to the activities of the particular group, and work with other members of the CLIVAR organization.

There are 4 types of CLIVAR Panels including ocean basins, modeling, regional and observations and data. The 4 ocean basin panels address the Atlantic, Pacific, Indian and Southern Oceans. The 3 modeling panels consider seasonal to interannual prediction, coupled modeling and ocean model development. The 3 regional panels address the Asian-Australian and American Monsoon Systems and African climate variability. Finally, the 3 observations and data working groups provide guidance on data synthesis, Paleoclimate, and climate change detection and indices. Details on the terms of reference and actions of the CLIVAR panels and working groups are given on the CLIVAR website (<http://www.clivar.org/organization/organization.php>).

Panel members are expected to attend the group's meeting, which varies in location. Additional meetings are possible, particularly with respect to task teams under the panel's guidance. However, most Panel activity is carried out through email and teleconferences. Members generally serve terms of 3-4 years. The terms are staggered so that changes in panel membership typically occur annually. Two co-chairs, one of whom attends the CLIVAR SCIENTIFIC STEERING Group's annual meeting, lead most panels and working groups. CLIVAR panels are encouraged to have gender and regional balance reflected in their membership.

To nominate (self nominations are welcome) and be considered for a particular Panel membership, please submit the following:

- a) 2-page vitae noting the most relevant publications
- b) A paragraph describing qualifications, research interests, and the Panel of interest

Materials should be sent electronically to the International CLIVAR Project Office ([icpo@noc.soton.ac.uk](mailto:icpo@noc.soton.ac.uk)) and the Staff Scientist who assists the particular panel (see <http://www.clivar.org/organization/icpo/members.php>). Please note "Panel Nomination" in the subject heading. Membership changes typically occur annually, although not for every panel. Except occasionally, there are no specific dates for submission of applications for membership. Thus, your submissions will be kept on file until an opening is available and your application will be considered.

The International CLIVAR program on Climate Variability and Predictability (<http://www.clivar.org>) is a project of the World Climate Research Program

(<http://www.wcrp-climate.org/>). The World Meteorological Organization, the International Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO and the International Council for Science sponsor WCRP. CLIVAR's mission is to facilitate observation, analysis and prediction of changes in the earth's climate system with a focus on ocean-atmosphere interactions, enabling better understanding of climate variability and change, to the benefit of society and the environment in which we live. As CLIVAR advances, it becomes increasingly important to address all aspects of the climate system, including the role of biogeochemical cycles and to build the application of CLIVAR science to societal applications and impacts. Thus CLIVAR looks to partnerships with other international programs, especially the International Biosphere-Geosphere Program, the International Human Dimensions Program and the International Program of Biodiversity Science. CLIVAR addresses its mission through a group of panels and working groups.