



# **IPCC Seventh Assessment Report (AR7)**

The outlines and related WGI challenges

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# **Introducing the 7th Assessment Cycle (AR7)**





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Special Report on Climate Change and Cities (March

2027)



Methodology Report on Short-lived Climate Forcers (second half of 2027)



Seventh
Assessment
Report
Working Group I,
II, & III
contributions



IPCC decided on products and workplan for the seventh cycle (January 2024) Methodology
Report on
Carbon Dioxide
Removal
Technologies,
Carbon
Capture
Utilization and
Storage (by
end of 2027)



Update the 1994
Technical
Guidelines on
Impacts,
Adaptation and
Vulnerability



Synthesis Report (by late 2029, after completion of the Working Group contributions)

2023

**IPCC** 

elected new

Chair and

(July 2023)

Bureau

2024

2027

(tbc)

2029



# Working Group I contribution to the 7<sup>th</sup> IPCC Assessment Report

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# **AR7 WGI Structure**

# **Chapter 5**

Scenarios and projected future global temperatures

D	) = focus/deep dive
	= core chapters
	= xWG elelements

# Global & large scale

# **Chapter 2**

Large-scale changes in the climate system and their causes

# **Chapter 6**

Global projections of Earth System responses across timescales

# **Chapter 9**

Earth system responses under pathways towards temperature stabilization, including overshoot pathways

# Regional

# **Chapter 3**

Changes in regional climate and extremes, and their causes

# **Chapter 7**

Projections of regional climate and extremes

# Chapter 10

Climate information and services

# **Chapter 1**

Framing, methods and knowledge sources



# **Chapter 4**

Advances in process understanding of Earth system changes

# Chapter 8

Abrupt changes, lowlikelihood high impact events and critical thresholds, including tipping points, in the Earth system

Interactive Atlas

# Current status and trends

# **Futures**

Information for responses

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# Highlighting key advances in science



# Chapters 2&3:

Improved understanding of recent anomalies (outstanding regional or global extremes and values in global indices)

# Chapter 4:

Integration of advances on main processes and feedbacks at the interface of Earth system components, and cycles (e.g., water-energy-carbon, ocean/land)

# Chapters 5-7:

Global and regional projections based on new model developments (km scale resolution, Al, emulators), incl. extreme events

# Chapter 8:

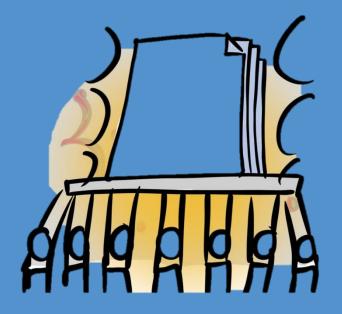
Fast increasing literature on potential abrupt changes and events not covered by regional projections

# Chapters 9&10:

Very dynamic areas of policy-relevant research (climate services, stabilization and overshoot)





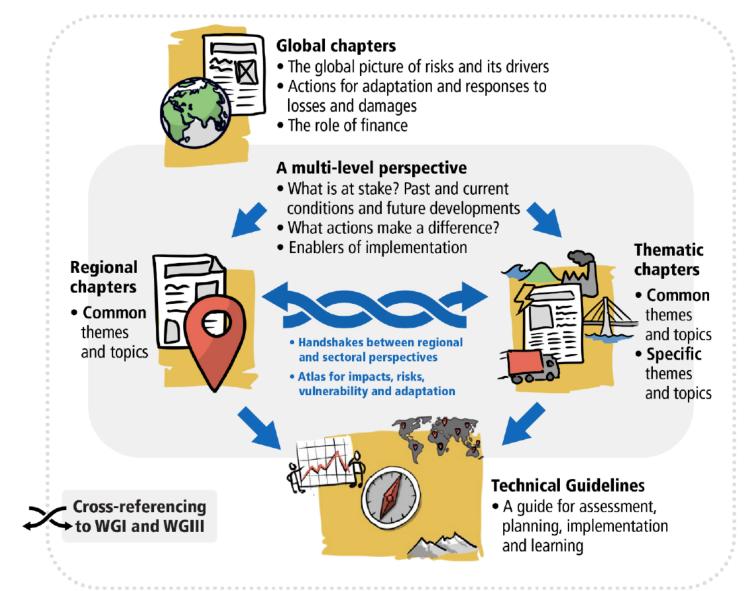


# Outline of the Working Group II contribution to the 7th Assessment Report

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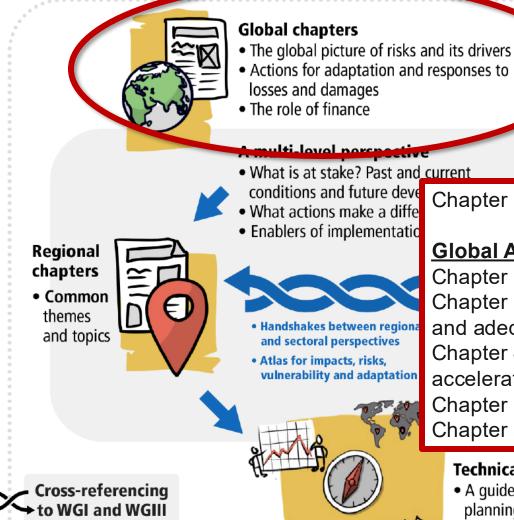






# **Starting with global chapters**





Chapter 1: Point of departure, framing and key concepts

# **Global Assessment Chapters**

Chapter 2: Vulnerabilities, impacts and risks

Chapter 3: Current adaptation progress, effectiveness and adequacy

Chapter 4: Adaptation options and conditions for accelerating action

Chapter 5: Responses to losses and damages

Chapter 6: Finance

#### **Technical Guidelines**

 A guide for assessment, planning, implementation and learning

# **Progressing to regional chapters**



# **Cross-chapter Papers**

Polar regions Mountain regions Drylands and Deserts Least Developed Countries Mediterranean



#### **Global chapters**

- The global picture of ris
- Actions for adaptation a losses and damages
- The role of finance

#### A multi-level perspect

- What is at stake? Past a conditions and fature de
- What actions make a di
- Enablers of implementa

# **Regional Assessment Chapters**

Chapter 7: Africa

Chapter 8: Asia

Chapter 9: Australasia

Chapter 10: Central and South America

Chapter 11: Europe

Chapter 12: North America

Chapter 13: Small Islands

#### Regional chapters

 Common themes and topics





Atlas for impacts, risks, vulnerability and adaptation



#### Common themes

and topics

 Specific themes and topics



# **Digital Atlas**

Impacts, risks, vulnerability and adaptation

> Cross-referencing o WGI and WGIII

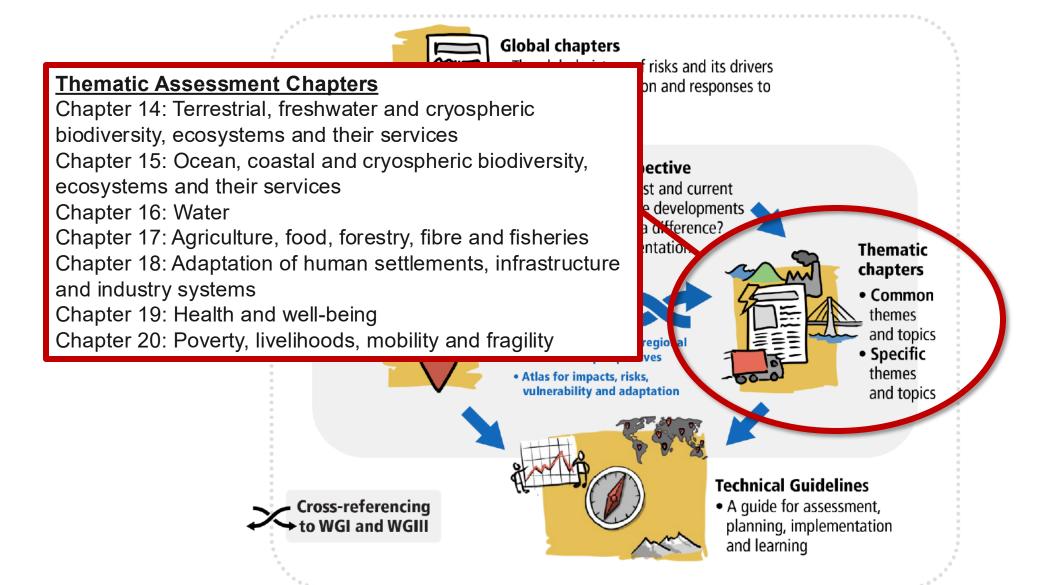
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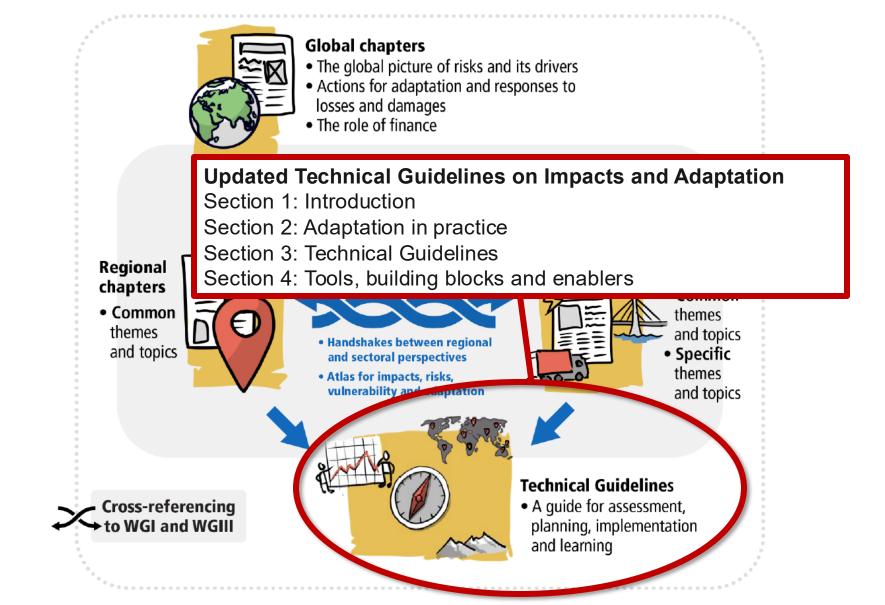
# Moving to thematic chapters







# The updated Technical Guidelines



# Working Group III contribution to the 7<sup>th</sup> IPCC Assessment Report

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# Working Group III Contribution to the IPCC Seventh Assessment Report

- 1. Introduction and framing
- 2. Past and current anthropogenic emissions and their drivers
- 3. Projected futures in the context of sustainable development and climate change
- 4. Sustainable development and mitigation
- 5. Enablers and barriers
- 6. Policies and governance and international cooperation
- 7. Finance
- 8. Services and demand
- **9.** Energy systems
- 10. Industry
- 11. Transport and mobility services and systems
- 12. Buildings and human settlements
- 13. Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Use
- 14. Integration and interactions across sectors and systems
- 15. Potentials, limits, and risks of Carbon Dioxide Removal

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Past and current trends and futures, sustainable development and mitigation

Inclusive approach, a diverse range of methodologies, models, databases, and development tools for scenarios and emissions pathways

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- 5. Enablers and barriers
- **6.** Policies, governance and international cooperation
- 7. Finance

Factors that enable or constrain mitigation

Enablers, opportunities, barriers, and constraints for mitigation, including cost, capacity, environment and natural resources, finance, social aspects, technology, and trade





- 8. Services and demand
- **9.** Energy systems
- 10. Industry
- 11. Transport and mobility services and systems
- 12. Buildings and human settlements
- 13. Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Use
- 14. Integration and interactions across sectors and systems

Sectors, systems and their integration

Mitigation options for services and demand, energy systems, industry, transport and mobility services and systems, buildings and human settlements, and AFOLU with a focus on sectors, systems, and their integration

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15. Potentials, limits, and risks of Carbon Dioxide Removal

Carbon dioxide removal

Potentials, limits, and risks of different CDR approaches, including their effectiveness at different warming levels and time scales, feasibility assessment, and permanence





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