

INTER-AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL CHANGE RESEARCH

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NOTIFICATION

Subject: CoP-27, EC-47 and EC-48 meeting reports available for review and comments

Dear Madam, Sir,

Rule 85 of the *Standing rules of the Conference of the Parties of the Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research* (as approved by CoP-21, June 2013, Montevideo) states:

The Executive Director shall prepare a draft Report for each Conference of the Parties. This draft report shall include all approved resolutions and action lists for each day, the minutes of the Conference and annexes as needed. The Directorate shall make the draft Report available to all Conference participants no later than sixty (60) days following the end of the Conference of the Parties for the participants' review and comment. All such comments shall be submitted to the Directorate within thirty (30) days of the distribution of the draft Report.

Rule 63 of the *Standing rules of the Executive Council of the Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research* (as approved by the CoP21, June 2013, Montevideo) states:

The Meeting Reports of the two Executive Council Meetings preceding and following the Conference of the Parties shall contain all the approved resolutions, the action lists for each day, the minutes of the Executive Council and the annexes, and shall be prepared by the Directorate; posted for review and comment by meeting participants; and then approved, with any changes needed, at the beginning of the next pre-CoP Executive Council Meeting.

I am pleased to inform you that the draft reports of the 27th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP-27, Brasilia) and the 47th and 48th meetings of the Executive Council are available on the IAI website¹ for review and comments.

Section I of the draft report of CoP-27 includes a summary of proceedings and Section II includes the 38 Decisions adopted by the Parties. Among the Decisions included are the revised IAI Scientific Agenda, the IAI Strategic Plan, the IAI Conflicts of interest and standards of ethical conduct and the IAI open data portal. Discussions during CoP-27 also centered on the development of the upcoming fourth round of the Collaborative Research Networks program, participation by Parties in Collaborative Research Action calls by the Belmont Forum, and the development of a fellowship program by the IAI.

¹ See: http://www.iai.int/en/post/detail/27a-reuni%C3%B3n-de-la-conferencia-de-las-partes-del-iai-brasilia-brasil

The Conference of the Parties decided to extend invitations to the Humboldt Institute in Colombia and to the Estación Científica COIBA AIP to become Associates of the IAI, in accordance with paragraph 1, Article XI, of the Agreement Establishing the Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research.

The IAI Directorate invites CoP-27 representatives to review and to provide comments on the meeting report. In accordance with Rule 85 of the *Standing rules of the Conference of the Parties,* we would appreciate receiving comments by participants at their earliest convenience but no later than 18 August 2019. Comments may be sent to Ms. Soledad Noya at <u>soledad@dir.iai.int</u>

EC-47 and EC-48 representatives are invited to review and to provide comments on the draft EC meeting reports. The IAI Directorate notes that Rule 63 of the *Standing rules of the Executive Council* does not provide a deadline for the submission of comments. The IAI Directorate would request that comments be provided by representatives at their earliest convenience but preferably 90 days prior to the upcoming 28th meeting of the Conference of the Parties. This deadline provides sufficient time for final editing and translation.

The IAI Directorate is grateful to Brazil for the excellent organization of meeting facilities and its warm hospitality and services. It also acknowledges its invaluable contributions to the meeting agenda of CoP-27 and to the organization of back-to-back meetings.

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Marcos Regis da Silva Executive Director