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NOTIFICATION

Subject: Perception and level of knowledge of Latin American and Caribbean countries around solar radiation modification and its governance

Dear Madam / Dear Sir,

The Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research (IAI) following its mission to promote the full and open exchange of scientific information relevant to global change, organized a workshop in 2022 in Jamaica to help decision makers of member countries to better understand the science behind the processes that seek to modify the amount of solar radiation entering the planet as a way to reduce the temperature to counteract global warming.

Currently, the IAI Directorate is working with the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) and the Carnegie Climate Governance Initiative (C2G) to (i) raise member states' awareness on the need to address the governance of Solar Radiation Modification (SRM) approaches and the risk and benefits these entail; and (ii) strengthen regional capacities to develop comprehensive and inclusive governance frameworks for informed decision making on these issues.

To better understand perceptions and the levels of knowledge around this issue in the Latin American and Caribbean region, a survey was prepared to help guide a regional consultation process. This information will also allow us to design learning and capacity building activities to support actors in the region, like yourself, to engage in the development of comprehensive and inclusive governance frameworks (nationally, regionally and internationally) that ensure better informed decision-making on this issue while safeguarding sustainable development.

This survey will be anonymous. Reponses provided to this survey will be used for internal purposes to inform ECLAC and IAI as part of the wider consultation processes around this subject. All participant responses will be aggregated for the purpose of analysis and no information will be shared in a way that can be attributed to individual respondents or countries.

We invite you to review the background information attached and to answer the survey questions based on your knowledge and understanding of SRM, by **31 October, 2023**. To access the survey, please click <u>here</u>.

If you have any questions or need clarifications about the survey, please contact: <u>DDSAH@cepal.org</u> or <u>ecastellanos@dir.iai.int</u>

Thank you for your support of the IAI.

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

Yours sincerely,

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