

# IPCC's Guidelines and Tools for the National GHG Inventory

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Develop and refine the internationally-agreed methodology to estimate GHG emissions and removals at national level Encourage the widespread use of this

# What are National GHG Inventories?

- Time series of national Estimates of all emissions and removals of greenhouse gases (GHG) from given sources and sinks (i.e. GHG Inventory categories) from a defined territory in a specific period of time associated with human activities.
- National Estimates:
  - Anthropogenic Greenhouse Gases fluxes,
  - Occurring within a year, in a series across years
  - Across the entire National Territory

#### Note

under the Paris Agreement, every country shall report NGHGIs

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# Why do we need inventory guidelines?

- Any international agreement to limit climate change must set emission limits/targets/goals and monitor progress in an open and transparent way
- Currently, most emissions/removals can only be estimated at national scale, not measured, and so consensus on the best way of doing this is needed
- To do this we need reliable, generally accepted methods and guidelines



## How?

Infer emissions based on parameters (EF) associated with activities (AD). For example:

- ✓ Amount of fuel burnt (AD)
- ✓ Carbon content in fuel determines the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from a unit of fuel burnt (EF)
- $\checkmark$  CO<sub>2</sub> proportional to amount of fuel burnt (E)

Where: E = Emission; AD = Activity Data; EF = Emission Factor

95% CI of AD, EF, and Estimates is to be calculated



# **Data Collection**

- In establishing routine, formalised, data collection use should be made of existing statistical organisations... (e.g., waste statistics for the estimation of methane emissions)
- It is good practice to engage data suppliers in the process of inventory compilation and improvement by involving them in activities such as:
  - Scientific or statistical workshops on the inventory inputs and outputs

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- Census vs Survey/Sampling
- Accuracy & Precision
- Uncertainty Analysis
  - Uncertainty in the mean vs Uncertainty in the individual
  - Standard error vs Standard deviation



## **IPCC Guidelines and Paris Agreement**

- "Katowice Climate Package" to operationalize the PA. UNFCCC COP24/CMA.1, December 2018.
  - Each Party shall use the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, and shall use any subsequent version or refinement of the IPCC guidelines agreed upon by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA).







#### **IPCC Guidelines and supporting tools**



# Various Tools – Supporting Materials

• Emission Factor Database (EFDB)

https://www.ipcc-nggip.iges.or.jp/EFDB/

IPCC Inventory Software

https://www.ipcc-nggip.iges.or.jp/software/index.html

• Primer for 2006 IPCC Guidelines

https://www.ipcc-nggip.iges.or.jp/support/support.html

• Reports of Expert Meetings

https://www.ipcc-nggip.iges.or.jp/meeting/meeting.html

Frequently Asked Questions

https://www.ipcc-nggip.iges.or.jp/meeting/meeting.html



#### EFDB

- Library of emission factors and other parameters (with background documentation and technical references) that can be used for estimation of GHG emissions and removals in Inventories
- Data collected:
  - Default values from IPCC Guidelines
  - Data from peer-reviewed papers
  - Data from other publications (e.g., national reports)
- It evolves across time

The EFDB is not intended for authorization of use of specific EFs by countries.

It serves as a library where inventory compilers can find EFs suitable to their countries by their own judgement



# Data upload procedure

- Data compiled in proposals submitted to the Editorial Board of the EFDB for consideration, through the IPCC TFI Technical Support Unit (TSU)
- Open to any data proposals from any subject
- Criteria for inclusion of new data: robustness, applicability and documentation
- Contact IPCC TFI-TSU at <a href="mailto:ipcc-efdb@iges.or.jp">ipcc-efdb@iges.or.jp</a>





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# Web application



## **IPCC Inventory Software**



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