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The Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (TFI) is approaching the final phase of the development of the Methodology Report titled the “*2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*” (*2019 Refinement*), based on the Decision IPCC/XLIV-5, taken at the 44th Session of the IPCC.

Coordinating Lead Authors, Lead Authors and Review Editors are working now on the comments on the Second Order Draft (SOD) which were submitted during the Government/Expert review from 2 July to 9 September 2018 in accordance with Appendix A to the Principles Governing IPCC Work. The SOD was elaborated at the third Lead Author Meeting (LAM3) in Cairns, Australia, from 10 to 13 April this year. The TFI extends its appreciation to the government of Australia for hosting this meeting.

The fourth Lead Author Meeting (LAM4) will take place in Rome, Italy, hosted by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), from 22 to 26 October this year. It will focus on the preparation of the Final Draft, based on the SOD and on the comments received in the Government/Expert review. Government review of the Final Draft will take place from 28 January to 24 March 2019. It is planned that 2019 Refinement will be adopted/accepted at the 49th Session of the IPCC in May 2019.

The development of Tier 2 worksheets for Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Use (AFOLU) Sector in the IPCC Inventory Software is in full swing. It has been already done for Livestock, and this part has been tested by an international team of experts. The work for other parts of AFOLU is planned to be completed by mid-2019. Tier 2 worksheets for other sectors are already included in the latest version of the IPCC Inventory Software which can be downloaded from the TFI website. In addition, the Technical Support Unit (TSU) continued to provide technical support to users.

In addition, the TFI has continued its work to maintain, improve and promote the Emission Factor Database (EFDB). In this year so far, TFI TSU has checked and added to the EFDB over one thousand new data from different sources.

Following the decision taken at the 46th Session of the IPCC (Decision IPCC/XLVI-6), TFI, jointly with Working Group I (WGI), held an expert meeting on 28-31 May this year in Geneva, Switzerland, to discuss issues on estimation of emissions and estimation of climate effects of short-lived climate forcers (SLCF). A separate report for this expert meeting will be presented at the 48th Session of the IPCC.

TFI has continued collaboration with the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) to help inventory compilers better understand and use the TFI products, in recent months by giving expert support at regional workshops for Latin America, Africa and Asia & Eastern Europe.