**IPCC AR5 Timetable**

**The general AR5 timetable**

Completion dates (source: Renate Christ, Nov 2009, [pdf](http://www.ipcc.ch/pdf/presentations/unfccc-barcelona-nov-09/rc-bcn-nov-09.pdf)):

* Working Group I: Mid September 2013
* Working Group II: Mid March 2014
* Working Group III: Early April 2014
* Synthesis Report: September 2014

**CMIP5 and WG1 milestones and schedule**

(Sources of future timeline information: the IPCC WG1 [website](http://www.ipcc-wg1.unibe.ch/AR5/AR5.html) (<http://www.ipcc-wg1.unibe.ch/AR5/AR5.html>), with additional information obtained through personal communications with Thomas Stocker (WG1 Co-Chair) and Jerry Meehl (WGCM Co-Chair):

2007

* Preliminary set of CMIP5 experiments discussed (WGCM meeting).

2008

* Community-wide consensus reached on the complete, prioritized list of CMIP5 experiments.

2009

* List of requested model output developed.
* September: WGCM endorses final set of CMIP5 experiments

2010

* Modeling groups begin production runs and produce CMIP5 output.
* May: ESG software, which will serve model output, is released.
* November 8-11: First Lead Authors Meeting (LA1), Kunming, China
  + preprints, papers submitted, accepted, in press, and published are all eligible for consideration

2011

* February: First model output expected to be available for analysis.
* July 18-22: Second Lead Authors Meeting (LA2)
* October 24-28: WCRP Open Science Conference will include a CMIP5 session (Denver, Colorado)
* December 16 – February 10, 2012: Expert Review of the First Order Draft (FOD)

2012

* Early in year: CMIP5 Workshop
* April 16-20: Third Lead Authors Meeting (LA3)
* July 31: By this date papers must be submitted for publication to be eligible for assessment by WG1.
* October 5 – November 30: Expert and Government Review of the Second Order Draft (SOD)

2013

* January 14-19: Fourth Lead Authors Meeting (LA4)
* March 15: By this date papers cited by WG1 must be published or accepted (with proof, for example, by a letter of confirmation from the editor)
* June 7 – August 2: Final Government Distribution of the WGI AR5 Summary for Policymakers (SPM)
* September 13-14: Preparatory Meeting of WGI AR5 SPM/TS Writing Team and Convening Lead Authors
* September 16-19: WGI AR5 SPM Approval Plenary