



## IGAC Working Group Expectations

### Background

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There are many regions of the world with excellent scientists whose research is conducted very independently, thus limiting their impact in the international community. As atmospheric chemistry research questions and their connections to societal issues are often global, there is a strong desire to engage these scientists in order to incorporate their research and local knowledge of these regions of the world. Therefore, the goal of IGAC National/Regional Working groups is two fold; 1) create a strong cohesive community of atmospheric scientists in a specific nation/region that together would have a sum greater than its parts, and 2) connect the regional/national working groups to the larger IGAC community in order to foster international collaboration.

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IGAC Working Groups are expected to:

- Be organized and run by the scientists within the nation/region with oversight from the IGAC Scientific Steering Committee (SSC).
- Be developed within the physical, economical, political and social context of the nation/region, while also considering how the working group will interact with the international atmospheric chemistry community.
- Have membership balanced by geographical, gender, career level and scientific expertise representative of the nation/region.
- Have clearly defined scientific goals they wish to achieve.
- Have a capacity building component for early career scientists, including developing local funding opportunities to send early career scientists to the biennial IGAC Science Conference.
- Provide guidance to IGAC Activities regarding scientists in their nation/region that are experts in the scientific area of the IGAC Activity.
- Engage local society in scientific findings, including interactions with social scientists, policy makers, and other stakeholders in atmospheric chemistry.