



The Global Programme of Research on Climate Change Vulnerability, Impacts and Adaptation
(PROVIA)

2015 open call for nomination for the
PROVIA international Scientific Steering Committee

PROVIA is seeking to appoint up to 4 new members to its international Scientific Steering Committee and is calling for nominations for membership.

PROVIA

The Global Programme of Research on Climate Change Vulnerability, Impacts and Adaptation (PROVIA)¹ acts as an interface between the international research community and decision makers, policy makers and practitioners. Its objectives are:

- To advance policy-relevant research on vulnerability, impacts, and adaptation related to climate change.
- To coordinate and facilitate the dissemination and practical application of this research for the benefit and value of society.

PROVIA supports the international community working in climate change vulnerability, impacts and adaptation (VIA) to share practical experiences and research findings by improving the availability and accessibility of knowledge, and by providing opportunities for collaboration. PROVIA seeks to identify research needs and gaps, and to support the scientific community to mobilize and communicate the growing knowledge base on VIA so that governments and stakeholders in the private sector and civil society are able to make decisions based on the best possible scientific knowledge.

The PROVIA Scientific Steering Committee

The central authority of PROVIA is its international Scientific Steering Committee (SSC), consisting of some 15 scientists selected for their knowledge, capability, availability and outlook. Appointment of members is for a term of 3 years, with the option of one renewal. The composition of the committee should be geographically balanced, and represent the policy making communities and communities of practice as well as the research community. SSC members are recruited from a wide range of disciplines, but should be active in the area of VIA.

¹ <http://www.unep.org/provia/>

The SSC functions as the central decision-making body of PROVIA and provides overall scientific guidance and direction on all aspects of the PROVIA activities, aligned with the aims and objectives of UNEP and WMO. The SSC sets the scientific direction and priorities of PROVIA and supports efforts to communicate findings to its stakeholders, including scientists and policymakers. The SSC is supported by the Secretariat in the implementation of the Work Programme.

Minimum Qualifications and Experience

Members of the SSC make their contribution by bringing their perspectives of research, practice and policy. To be considered as a member of the SCC, applicants should meet the following minimum criteria:

- Extensive international and/or national experience from a research, practice or policy perspective in climate change vulnerability, impacts and/or adaptation;
- Established reputation in the international research, policy or practice arenas.

Members of the PROVIA SSC are expected to promote PROVIA, to commit time and to take concrete action to fulfill its objectives.

How to apply

A. Both self-nominations and nominations by a third party are accepted. If you are nominating someone else, please ensure you have obtained their agreement prior to submission of your nomination.

B. Nominations should include the following information:

Personal information:

Name of the candidate/nominated:

Gender:

Nationality:

Current country of residence:

Year of birth:

Affiliation:

Contact information:

Email:

Support for nomination:

Area of expertise (max. 20 words):

Brief case for support along with a vision statement indicating areas of specific interest and engagement in PROVIA (max. 500 words):

Up to 10 relevant and recent publications:

Submitted by (self, or name of nominee if not self):

C. In addition, nominations should include a short CV (max. 3 pages).

Applications/Nominations should be submitted by email with letter and supporting documents attached (Microsoft Word, pdf or similar), indicating that all the criteria mentioned in this call are met, to Janak Pathak (Associate Programme Officer): Janak.Pathak@unep.org. The subject line of the email should be: 'Nomination to the PROVIA SSC'

Closing date for applications: by **20 October 2015, 12:00 noon Nairobi time**.

Applicants will be informed of the outcome by no later than 31 January 2016.