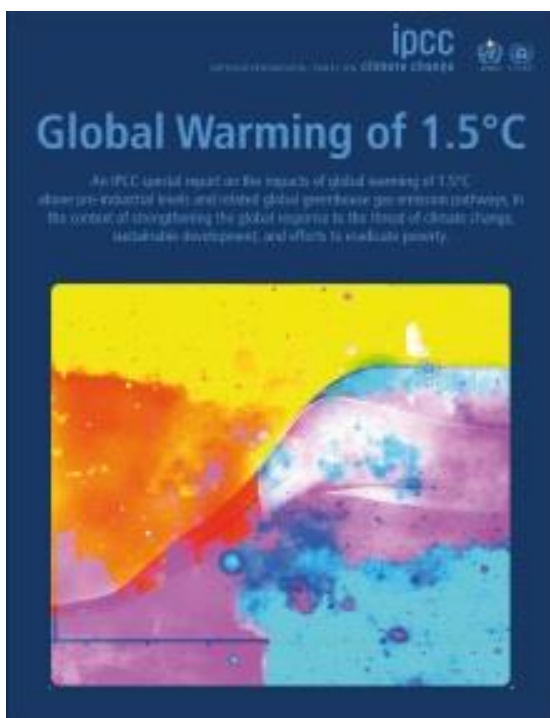


SR1.5 - a small but probably the most important IPCC product

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In December 2015 in Paris, 196 national governments agreed to a climate treaty to limit the warming of our climate system to an average surface temperature below 2K above the pre-industrial level, but possibly to 1.5K. The small island states only agreed to soften the originally proposed 1.5K limit if at the same time the IPCC was commissioned to prepare a special report prior to the work on the 6th Assessment Report in which the different impacts between 1.5 and 2K warming as well as the corresponding feasibility were presented. An almost impossible undertaking, but one that a group of about 60 climate researchers succeeded in only one and a half years after the official commissioning. Since 8 October 2018, a report has been available which has been adopted by all 196 governments

and shows how the climate has changed since the last IPCC report (2013), what can be expected in a +1.5K world and how big the differences would be to +2K. And the good news: +1.5K can still be achieved.