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Statement on the Sustainable Stewardship of the ISIMIP Repository

As the Directorate of the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK), we affirm our full institutional commitment to the long-term, sustainable hosting and curation of the **Inter-Sectoral Impact Model Intercomparison Project (ISIMIP)** repository, available at <https://data.isimip.org>.

PIK has been the official host and technical steward of the ISIMIP data infrastructure since its inception. In support of persistent, FAIR-compliant data publication, PIK joined the **TIB DOI Consortium** in 2020. Since then, ISIMIP datasets have been published with **DOIs assigned by the ISIMIP data team**, in accordance with the **DataCite Consortium Agreement**.

This agreement commits us to the following obligations:

- **Data Persistence (§4a):** All datasets published via the ISIMIP repository are guaranteed to remain accessible under their assigned DOI, or, in case of retracted or replaced data, upon request for retrieval from tape.
- **Metadata Maintenance (§4c):** PIK ensures the integrity and timely updating of metadata records, in line with DataCite's requirement not to withdraw content without public notification.
- **Tombstone Pages:** In the event that any dataset must be deprecated or removed, PIK commits to maintaining publicly available tombstone pages with full metadata, preserving the scholarly record and traceability.
- **Continuity Planning:** Should PIK be unable to continue hosting the ISIMIP repository, we will take responsibility for coordinating a timely transfer of the full repository and its DOI infrastructure to an appropriate, trusted archive or institutional partner to ensure uninterrupted access and citation continuity.

This institutional commitment underscores our recognition of ISIMIP's critical role in international climate impact research, and of our responsibility to maintain its accessibility, reliability, and scientific value over the long term.

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