

The Africa Climate Research for Development (CR4D) Strategy Meeting
Marrakesh, Morocco
5-7 October, 2014

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Africa Climate Research for Development (CR4D) Strategy Meeting:
Devising an Institutional Platform for Linking African Climate Science Research &
Knowledge to Inform Adaptation Decision-Making in Africa

Programme

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Future Earth Write---Shop: Developing a unified CR4D Proposal > piloting Research on Seasonal---to-
--Subseasonal prediction across Africa
(Meeting of ACC2013 Proposal
Pitchers) By invitation only
Reviewing the CR4D Science Plan & Prioritizing Action

Monday October 6, 2014

The Africa Climate Research for Development (CR4D---Africa) Agenda
Defining an Institutional Platform to Link Climate Science Research & Knowledge with Policy
needs in Africa

SALLE MOGADOREUM

9h00-10h00	<p>Opening Ceremony</p> <p>Welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcoming Remarks - F. Denton (UNECA/ACPC) <p>Guest of Honor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meeting Opening: J. Mukabana, Director AFLDC WMO• AfDB Representative : K. Johm, ClimDev Africa• Video Address: The Road from Arusha to Marrakesh - A. Tall (CR4D Interim Steering Committee)• Meeting Objectives - F. Lucio (GFCS/WMO)• Guest speaker: Research and development for operational climate services in Africa: Defining a Common Climate Research Agenda for Africa- ddressing Priority Research Gaps to deliver Relevant Climate Services for End-Users across Africa – François Kamga (Univ des Montagnes, Cameroun)• Vote of Thanks by Meeting	Masters of Ceremony: Meeting Chairs, F. Lucio (GFCS/WMO) and F. Denton (UNECA/ACPC)
10h00-10h30	Coffee/Tea break	

<p>10h30-13h00</p>	<p>African Climate Research & Institutional Stakeholder Panel: Devising An Institutional Platform to take forward Priorities of African Climate Research to Inform Adaptation Decision-making in the 21st century in Africa</p> <p>Part I: Outlining Priorities for Climate Research in Africa and Recommendations for the CR4D Framework (10 min each, 5min Q&A at end)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACC2013 Conference Identified Priorities & Strategy to Advance Climate Science Research Frontiers in Africa-Priorities Based on Societal Needs: R. Anyah (Associate Professor Department of Natural Resources and the Environment University of Connecticut) • Climate Research Needs for Policy and Development in Africa -AfDB representative (TBD) 	<p>Chairs: A. Gaye (UCAD) & G. Cissé (Swiss TPH)</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research gaps and needs to address the initial 4 GFCS priority areas in Africa – F. Lucio, (GFCS/WMO) • Climate research in Africa: opportunities, partnerships, challenges M. Shongwe (SAWS) <p>Part II: Defining an Institutional Platform to Link Climate Science, Research & Knowledge with Policy needs in Africa (1h30min) Panel Discussion: Stakeholders & Roles in the CR4D Institutional Collaboration Platform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insights from the Rural Hub: M. Ladki, Hub Rural • The role of civil society in driving climate research priorities & enabling inter/multidisciplinarity. Actionable recommendations from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Health – J. Omumbo, KEMRI-Wellcome Trust Research Programme ○ Water – H. Mahoo, Sokoine University (Tanzania) ○ DRR – Y. Ait Chellouche, GFCS Coordinator for Sahel • The Role of Universities – P. Yanda (University of Dar Es Salam) • Watching the Rains : Resilience strategies for local adaptation and decision making. A. Tarhule (Oklahoma Univ) • Views from AMCOMET - J. Mukabana (Director AFLDC, WMO) • The role of RCCs - J. Mutemi (ICPAC) • Enabling cross-regional learning pan-African regional nodes of excellence in integrated climate research for development - A. Konare (Univ Abidjan & ICSU RCA), • Capacity-building needs: Nurturing an African leadership of the CR4D agenda - K. Dietrich (START) • The Role of Research partners & networks, R. Graham, UKMET Office 	
13h00-14h00	Lunch Break	
	<p>Working Group I Development of a CR4D Governance Mechanism</p> <p>Chair: F. Lucio (GFCS/WMO) Facilitator: J-A. Ndione (CSE), C. Kane (IRD)</p> <p>Salle: MOGADOREUM</p>	<p>Working Group II Development of the CR4D Scientific Steering Committee</p> <p>Chair: F. Kamga (Université des Montagnes), M. Shongwe (SAWS) Facilitator: R. Boscolo (WCRP), A. Pirani (WCRP--CLIVAR)</p> <p>Salle: COLISEUM</p>

14h-16h30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Options for CR4D Institutional Anchorage and Governance - F. Denton (UNECA/ACPC) • Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Agreement on a sustainable collaborative mechanism and steps to implement the Africa CR4D Agenda b) Recommendations for an appropriate institutional frame, governance structure, due process for establishing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of Draft ToRs for the CR4D Scientific Advisory - R. Anyah (UConn) • Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) A recommendation for the establishment of an Africa CR4D Scientific Steering Committee that is aligned with the proposed governance, with an open and transparent process for nominating scientific leadership in Africa b) Development of process for CR4D to continue engaging and reviewing end user needs (Sectorial, IAV and Policy representatives) c) Recommendations for a sustainable process for
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	<p>leadership, and institutional arrangement to manage and coordinate the CR4D Agenda.</p> <p>c) Recommendations for the establishment of a Secretariat to support the implementation of CR4D that is aligned with the proposed governance.</p>	<p>re-engaging users to review priority information needs (Regional roadshows, CCDA-5, 2nd ACC conference, etc.)</p> <p>d) A proposal for the FE proposal; and recommendations for development of a CR4D science plan timeline and foci (5-10 years)</p> <p>e) Outreach and participation needed to guide development of CR4D Science plan</p>
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16h30-17h00	Coffee Break	
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17h-17h30	Finalization of Recommendations from Working Group I	Finalization of Recommendations from Working Group II
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17h30-19h	Plenary Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of WG recommendations • Discussion • Session Conclusions • Presentation of next day Agenda 	
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20-21h	CR4D core planning group meeting	
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<p>Tuesday October 7, 2014 CR4D- --Africa: Next Steps Defining an Operational Mechanism and Next Steps for Action</p>		
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	Defining an Operational Mechanism for Implementing CR4D Salle : MOGADOREUM	
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9h-11h00	<p>Working Group III Definition and sequencing of a CR4D operational mechanism & calendar of activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HyViC-HyCRISTAL : Integrating hydroclimate science into policy decision in East Africa– Rosalind Cornforth (Univ of Reading) • Presentation of Proposed CR4D operational mechanism & calendar of activities – M. Shongwe (SAWS) • Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) A calendar of activities for operational Implementation of pilot CR4D activities, identified as priorities in WGs I & II <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CR4D Secretariat ○ Africa Researcher Network ○ Forming an Africa Donors Interface ○ Multi-partner Round-table on capacity growth strategy for African scientific leadership ○ Others b) Identification of a 2-3 priority actions amenable to rapid implementation so as to gain a foothold on the CR4D meta-agenda to establish momentum, demonstrate participant commitment, and entrain a broader community of participants in the near term c) Agreement on a launch event of the CR4D Institutional 	<p>Chairs: F. Denton UNECA/ (ACPC) & F. Lucio (GFCS/WMO)</p>
11h00-11h30	Coffee/Tea break	
11h30-12h	Finalization of Recommendations from Working Group III	
12h-13h30	Lunch Break	
<p style="text-align: center;">PLENARY CR4D-Africa: Next Steps</p>		
13h30-15h30	<p>Short-Term Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CR4D Proposed Institutional Governance Mechanism • Establishment of CR4D Secretariat • Establishment of CR4D Scientific Advisory Committee • 2015 CR4D Platform Launch event • CR4D Short-term pilot activities • Summary of CR4D Priorities for Action Discussion (20 min) <p>Mid to Long-Term Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CR4D Science Plan development (5-10years) • CR4D Anchorage to larger African institutional process Discussion (20 min) 	<p>Chairs: F. Denton UNECA/ (ACPC) And F. Lucio (GFCS/WMO)</p>
15h30-16h	Coffee/Tea break	

16h30-17h	Conference organizers prepare CR4D Strategy Meeting Summary Formulation of Recommendations for CCDA-IV	
	PLENARY Closing Session	
17-18h00	CR4D Strategy Meeting Summary Discussion and Amendments	
18-18h30	Closing Remarks and End of CR4D Strategy Meeting	
19h-20h	CR4D core planning group meeting	

Wednesday October 8, 2014 CCDA-4 Conference		
	CCDA-IV Conference Begins	