





CR4D Pre-Conference Event at the CCDA-V

The CR4D Journey: From Arusha to Victoria Falls. It is Time for Action

Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe (27 October 2015)

Programme

Tuesday October 27, 2015 "Advancing new frontiers of African climate research to enhance co-production of climate information and services for Development Planning" 8:00-Registration 9:00 9:00-**Opening Ceremony** 10:00 Welcoming Remarks: Dr. Fatima Denton, ACPC/UNECA Opening Remarks: Dr. Richard Graham (UK Met Office) Chair: Filipe Lucio or **Opening Remarks** Rep. GFCS Rep. of WMO/WCRP **WCRP** Opening: Remarks Meeting Opening Director, ACMAD Meeting Objectives: Dr. Richard Anyah, CR4D Interim Coordinator 10:00-Coffee/Tea break (Group Photo) 10:20 **Keynote Presentations** CR4D initiative within the broader perspective of ClimDev-Africa (15 minutes): Dr. Fatima Denton, Director Special Initiatives Division, UNECA Moderator: Dr. 10:30-11:00 Challenges and opportunities of African climate research: The grand CR4D agenda (Arame Tall 15 minutes). Dr. Richard Anyah **DISCUSSIONS** 11:00-Summary of key issues 11:30 11:30-**PANEL DISCUSSION** 12:30 What are the practical steps for promoting user-driven climate research to improve co-production of actionable climate information and services for development planning in Africa? Moderator: How do we improve interactions among climate research, applications and Dr. Fatima user communities in co-producing climate information and services? Denton How do we ensure the transitioning of new climate research advances into applications? **Discussants** Dr. Arame Tall: FAOSN/GFCS Dr. Richard Graham: UK Met Office Dr. Wilfran Moufouma-Okia: ACPC/UNECA Dr. Ashraf Zakey: Under Secretary of state for climate and research (Egypt) Dr. Joseph Mutemi (University of Nairobi) Discussions and summary of key issues 12:30 LUNCH 01:30

PANEL DISCUSSION

13:45- 15:30	How do we develop lasting and visionary multi-institutional and multi-stakeholder Regional Applied Climate Research Partnerships? Discussants Discussants Dr. Jennifer Mohamed-Katerere IUCN Dr. Rosalind Conforth (University of Reading) Dr. James Murombedzi: (ACPC/UNECA) Dr. Benjamin Lamptey: Deputy DG (ACMAD) Dr. Pauline Dube: University of Botswana Discussions & Summary of Key issues	Moderator : Prof. Fredrick Semazzi
15:30- 15:45	TEA BREAK	
	PANEL DISCUSSION	
16:00 - 17:00	Beyond Talking: How do we develop sustainable strategies for pooling research expertise, resources, and infrastructure for integrated capacity development? Discussants Prof. Fredrick Semazzi, NC State University Dr. Sylla Bamba (WASCAL) Dr. Dr. Anna Pirani (CLIVAR/WCRP)) Dr. Margaret Opondo (UON) Dr. Abiodun Babatunde(CSAG-UCT) Discussions & Summary of Key issues	Moderator: Dr. Richard Graham
17:00- 17:30	Recommendations Closing Remarks (Dr. Fatima Denton)	
18:30	Joint Dinner (own cost)	