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## FIFTH SESSION OF THE SOUTH-WEST INDIAN OCEAN CLIMATE OUTLOOK FORUM (SWIOCOF-5) SEYCHELLES, 19-23 SEPTEMBER 2016

### AGENDA

*FORUM: 22-23 September 2016*

Thursday 22nd September 2016

#### **Forum opening**

09h00-09h15 Welcome of participants: Vincent Amelie, CEO – Seychelles Meteorological Authority

09h15-09h45 Introductory messages (Representatives of IOC, ACMAD, WMO and Meteo France)

09h45-10h15 The Global Framework for Climate Services (GFCS): Background and recent progress: Lisa-Anne Jepsen, Project Officer, Climate and Water Department, WMO

*10h15-10h30 Break*

#### **Introduction to seasonal forecasting**

10h30-10h50 Seasonal forecasting: what it is and how is it applied: Jean-Pierre Ceron, WMO Commission of Climatology, OPACE 3 Co-Chair

10h50-11h20 Key climate features of SWIO region and large-scale drivers: Francois Bonnardot, DIROI/EC, Meteo-France

#### **Verification process**

11h20-11h40 Verification of seasonal forecasts issued by SWIOCOF-4 (organized by ACMAD): Andre Kamga Foamouhoue, Chief, Climate and Environment Department, ACMAD

11h40-12h00 Presentation of the seasonal climate prediction methodology used in the SWIOCOF-5 pre-forum training session: Francois Bonnardot, DIROI/EC, Meteo-France

## **Summary of the SWIOCOF-5 pre-forum climate prediction**

14h00-14h30 Large scale background: Andre Kamga Foamouhoue, Chief, Climate and Environment Department, ACMAD

14h30-15h00 Regional consensus on precipitation and cyclone activity: Francois Bonnardot, DIROI/EC, Meteo-France

15h00-15h30 Questions - Discussions

*15h30 – 15h45 Break*

15h45-16h30 SWIO region national precipitation seasonal forecasts issued from downscaling methods for October-November-December 2016 trimester (presentation by each country)

16h30-17h00 Questions - Discussions

Friday 23rd September 2016

## **Translation of climate information into sectoral decision-making tools**

09h00-12h00

- Panel discussion: Moderator, Lisa-Anne Jepsen, Project Officer, WMO
  - Tailored climate information: Jean-Pierre Ceron, WMO Commission of Climatology, OPACE 3 Co-Chair
  - Seychelles agricultural sector: background and requirements for climate services: Antoine-Marie Moustache, Special Advisor for Agriculture
  - Provision of climate services in support of decision-making in the agriculture sector: Itesh Dash, Team Leader, Systems Research and Development Division, RIMES
- Presentations by sectoral representatives
- Discussion on sectoral requirements for climate services and capacities of NMHSs to meet these requirements

13h30-14h30 NCOFs: Development of User Interfaces through National Climate Outlook Forums (NCOFs): Itesh Dash, Team Leader, Systems Research and Development Division, RIMES

14h30 -15h30 SWIOCOF-6 and the way forward - Next steps at the national and regional levels: discussion moderated by Jean-Pierre Ceron, WMO Commission of Climatology, OPACE 3 Co-Chair

*15h30 – 15h45 Break*

15h45-16h00 Closure of SWIOCOF-5: Vincent Amelie, CEO – Seychelles Meteorological Authority

16h00-16h30: Press conference (media representative and invitees)