



**PACC RRC TRAINING PROGRAMME**  
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## **Climate Services for West Africa**

**International Conference**

**CNR – Aula Marconi**

**P.le Aldo Moro 7, 00185 Roma**

**4 – 5 February 2019**

**Conference Agenda**



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<b>Partnership</b>	WMO (World Meteorological Organization), IBIMET-CNR (Italy), AGRHYMET Regional Centre (CILSS/ECOWAS),
<b>General objective</b>	To reduce the impacts of Natural Disaster and Climate Change on agricultural sector in West Africa.
<b>Specific objective</b>	To improve the capacity of West African governments through their national technical services to support government actions in sustainable development and food security, in response to climate change, natural disasters and their associated risks.
<b>Project's duration</b>	20 months
<b>Target Countries</b>	Western Africa CILSS/ECOWAS States Members
<b>Target groups</b>	Experts of National Agriculture, Agro-Meteorological, Hydrological and Early Warning Services.
<b>Project's typology</b>	Capacity Building (Art. 18)
<b>Budget</b>	€ 822,843.27
<b>UN Millennium Goals</b>	Goal 1: Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger Goal 7: Ensure environmental sustainability

**February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**09.00 - 10.00 Opening Session**

- Prof Massimo Inguscio, President CNR (tbc)
- Dr Francesco Loreto, Director CNR-DISBA
- Dr Antonio Raschi, Director CNR-IBIMET
- Dr Marina Baldi, Director RTC in Italy
- Min. Roberto Colaminé, MAECI-DGCS
- Dr. Mauro Pedalino, AICS
- B.Gen. Silvio Cau, WMO-PR of Italy, Servizio Meteorologico dell'Aeronautica Militare
- Dr Souleymane Ouedraogo, Director General AGRHYMET
- Mr Jonson Boanuh, ECOWAS Secretariat
- Mr Lamin Touray, Chair of West African WMO PRs
- Dr Yinka Adebayo, WMO Education and Training Office

*10.00 – 10:30 Coffee-Break*

**10:30 – 12:00 PACC-Programme** (Chair: Marina Baldi - IBIMET-CNR; Rapporteurs M. Waongo - AGRHYMET, V. Tarchiani – IBIMET)

- WMO (Patrick Parrish)
- IBIMET (Vieri Tarchiani)
- AGRHYMET (Moussa Waongo)
- Feedbacks and consideration from PACC-RRC courses:
  - Didactical activities (Maurizio Bacci – IBIMET)
  - The view of trainers (Massimiliano Pasqui – IBIMET)
  - Distance Learning and new technologies activities (Elena Rapisardi - IBIMET)
- Feedbacks from participants:
  - Ms Veronique Bomo Manouan – Cote d'Ivoire
  - Mr Orlando Mendes – Guinea-Bissau
  - Ms Maria Alexandrina Mendes Martins Gomes Moreno – Cabo Verde
  - Ms Houefa Valerie Sounouke - Benin

**12:00 -13.00 Lessons learnt from PACC** (Chair: Abubakar Mashi - PR Nigeria; Rapporteurs Moussa Waongo - AGRHYMET, Vieri Tarchiani – IBIMET)

Synthesis (30 min) and discussion (30 min)

*13.00 – 14.00 Lunch*

**14:00 - 15:00 Presentation of posters** by the students (Chair: Massimiliano Pasqui – IBIMET-CNR):

- Ms Veronique Bomo Manouan – Cote d'Ivoire
- Mr Orlando Mendes – Guinea-Bissau
- Ms Maria Alexandrina Mendes Martins Gomes Moreno – Cabo Verde
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*15:00 – 15:30 Coffee break*

**15:30 -17.00 Round Table: Climate Services and capacity development in West Africa, experience from the NMHSs** (Chair: Daouda Konate PR Cote d'Ivoire; Rapporteur: Bernard Gomez – WMO)

**February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**09.00 – 10.15 Climates Services for West Africa** (Chair: Dr Souleymane Ouedrago - AGRHYMET)

- Keynote speaker: Carlo Buontempo - ECMWF (30 min)
- Climate Services and public policies: Prof. Olukayode Oladipo – University of Lagos, Nigeria (15 min)
- Perspectives of distance learning for Climate Services: Patrick Parrish - WMO (15 min)
- GFCS and WMO projects and initiatives in the region: Robert Stefanski – WMO (15 min)

*10.15 – 10.45 Coffee-Break*

**10.45 – 13.00 Discussion on needs and options for a new capacity development initiative** (Chair: Tanja Cegnar – Slovenian Environment Agency; Rapporteurs: Bernard Gomez and Patrick Parrish – WMO; Vieri Tarchiani – IBIMET-CNR)

Capacity development through WMO education and training activities: Yinka Adebayo - WMO (15 min)

General discussion

- Climate services in West Africa:
  - Existing services
  - Needs and resources
  - Public policy and institutional matters
  - Approaches to capacity development
  - Partnerships and cooperation
- Contents for the new initiative

*13.00 – 14.00 Lunch*

**14.30 – 15.30 Conclusion and follow-up activities and approval of the Conference Statement** (Chair: Lamin Touray PR Gambia; Rapporteur: Robert Stefanski - WMO)

**15.30 – 16.30 Closure**

- Director IBIMET, Dr Antonio Raschi
- Director Regional Training Center in Italy, Marina Baldi
- Chair of West African WMO Permanent Representatives, Lamin Touray
- Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (tbc)
- Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (tbc)
- WMO Education and Training Office, Dr Yinka Adebayo