UNFCCC side event: Updates from climate change science - special focus: Africa

2 December 2011 13:15 - 14:45 room Blyde River, DEC Hall 1-3, Durban, South Africa

Scientists and experts involved in international and regional climate change research present latest findings and information from their research activities, especially from Africa

Agenda

Welcome and opening

Chair: Mr. Carlos Fuller, Belize

• Opening remarks by the UNFCCC secretariat

Presentations

- Climate variability and forecasting, and downscaling climate projections in Africa Dr. Richard Jones, Manager Regional Predictions, Met Office Hadley Centre, UK
- Impacts of acidic deposition in Tropical Africa on ecosystem function

Prof. Mary Scholes, School of Animal, Plant and Environmental Sciences, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa. In collaboration with IGAC (Debits) programmes of the IGBP as well as ABC Africa

• Adaptation to extreme climate variability in pastoral systems in arid Kenya

Dr. Saidu O. Oseni, Acting Head, Department of Animal Sciences, Obafemi Awolowo University, Nigeria and ACCFP Post-Doctoral Fellow(2009-2010), Egerton University, Kenya

• Modelling fish production in Lake Kariba to assess impacts of climate change: A case study on the vulnerability of fish stocks

Mrs. Mzime Ndebele-Murisa, Doctoral Research Fellow under the African Climate Change Fellowship Program (ACCFP), Zimbabwe

Questions and answers

Closing remarks by the Chair