UNFCCC COP 28 – Dubai, UAE

30 November to 12 December 2023

Collaborative Side Event at IPCC-WMO-MERI-NCM Pavilion

Please send your proposal to climatescience@wmo.int

Instructions

- 1- Please fill in this form for the side event you propose at the Pavilion during COP 28.
- 2- If you intend to submit more than one proposal, please use separate forms for each event.
- 3- Ensure that your proposal is agreed to by the Director of your Department.
- 4- Consider gender and geographical balance in the composition of the programme.
- 5- The proposals received will be listed and screened by the WMO coordination group on COP 28 for further consideration.
- 6- Potentially similar proposals will be suggested to merge.
- 7- The total number of events, time slots and dates will be finally coordinated with other sponsors of the Pavilion to ensure a balanced distribution of events throughout COP 28.

Title: max. 100 characters including spaces.	State of Africa's Climate in 2022/2023: hazards, trends and impacts					
Date and Time	December 9 th , 2023 Time: late morning ot early afternoon- TBC					
Online or Hybrid	Hybrid					
Short description: max. 300 characters including spaces	2022 was yet another year with climate variability across the continent. Major hazards including cyclones hit regions across Africa. The 2022/2023 south west Indian ocean season recorded one of the longest and devastationg cyclone ever (FREDDY). This side event will shed some light on significant events and impacts across Africa. Losses and damages and requirements to support resilence and adaptation will be shared.					
Long description (Max 1500 characters), including spaces)	Hazards including high temperature and heat waves particularly in North Africa during summer leading to wildfire, droughts often persistent in Eastern and Southern Africa, floods and storms with a focus on southern Africa and coastal areas are reported. The Climate Services and related Applications programme (ClimSA) and other partners programmes are supporting implementation and coordination of climate action between the African Union Commission, Regional Economic Communities and					

countries in Africa. The programmes are strengthening the cooperation between Africa and its partners trough technical and financial assistance as well as capacity building for development of information services for resilience and climate change adaptation in Africa. Implementation of these programmes supports the preparation and dissemination of annual reports on the state of Africa's climate highlighting major climate events, hazards, impacts, responses and recommended policy options. COP 27 will be a premier venue to share the findings in this report with African negotiators and policy makers providing science-based information for negotiations and debates on climate action. A continental technical coordination mechanism involving WMO and Regional Climate Centres in Africa was set up to prepare and present the annual state of climate report for Africa. This side event will showcase the products highlighting the results of coordinated work on the state of climate taking Africa's integration agenda forward in the field of climate action.

The goal of the side event is to strengthen Africa's participation to global climate debate. The objectives are to;

- raise awareness on the state of Africa's climate and related adaptation challenges;
- facilitate more commitments at the highest political level to support resilience to disasters and adaptation to climate change impacts in Africa.

Lead organization	ACMAD				
Supporting organization(s)	AUC ¹ , UNECA ² , WMO, UNDRR ³ , CIMA ⁴ , NORCAP ⁵ , IGAD ⁶ /ICPAC ⁷				
This event contributes to the following COP 28 goals, as defined by the United Arab Emirates presidency	Adaptation				
This event contributes to the following thematic areas (Refer to the colour Table on the last page)	Dec Multilevel Action, Urbanization and Built Environment/Transport				
We expect to have the following speakers/panellists	Speaker 1: Major extreme events in 2022/2023 in Africa (ACMAD/AUC)				

DRR). Malawi (PR and DRR), Mozambique (PR and DRR)

Speaker 2: Cyclone FREDDY: Impacts and response UNDP. Madagascar (PR and

¹ African Union Commission

² United Nations Economic Commission for Africa

³ United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction

⁴ International Centre for Environmental Monitoring

⁵ The Norwegian Capacity from the Norwegian Refugee Council

⁶ Intergovernmental Authority on Development

⁷ IGAD Climate Prediction and Applications Centre

(changes can be confirmed later) Please indicate the gender and nationality of each	Speaker 3: Losses and damages fund and resilience to extreme events in Africa (AUC/UNECA/AfBD)			
Please indicate the proposed format of the event, including any innovative/interesting elements	Presentations and Pannel discussion Moderator: (TBD) 2' - Opening/Welcome ACMAD representative 40' - Dynamic, engaging presentations with the speakers 10' - Panel discussion (Q&A session from audience) 6' - Conclusion			
Do you require simultaneous interpretation? If so, to/from what languages?	Yes, From English to French From French to English			
Additional Information (e.g. weblink of the organizing body)	www.acmad.org			

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