

Agenda

SBSTA 34 Dialogue on developments in research activities relevant to the needs of the Convention

8 June 2011, 11:00 - 14.00 hrs

Venue: Saal Bonn (Plenary II)

Opening and introduction

11:00 - Opening remarks: Mr. Mama Konaté, Chair of the SBSTA
11:10

Understanding the science: recent findings and on-going activities in international and regional climate change research

11:10 - **Overview of recent key findings from regional and international climate change research**
12:45

- Summary of main scientific findings presented at the SBSTA workshop on research
 - *Speaker - Sergio Castellari, Italy, facilitator of session I of the research workshop*
- Emerging results from global climate change research
 - Guy Midgley, Scientific Steering Committee Global Carbon Project, on behalf of the **Earth System Science Partnership (ESSP) and its member programmes**: World Climate Research Programme (**WCRP**), International Geosphere-Biosphere Programme (**IGBP**), International Human Dimensions Programme (**IHDP**) and **DIVERSITAS**
- Findings from UNEP/WMO Integrated Assessment of Black Carbon and Tropospheric Ozone
 - Drew Shindell, Assessment Chair, on behalf of **UNEP**
- Arctic Council Assessment of Regional and Global Climate Change Impacts on Snow, Water, Ice and Permafrost in the Arctic (SWIPA)
 - Morten Skovgård Olsen, Report Chair (Denmark), Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Program (**AMAP**)

Developments towards preparation of the AR5 of the IPCC, including new elements and approaches (e.g. scenario developments, regional aspects, Article 2 of the Convention)

- Jean-Pascal van Ypersele, Vice-Chair of the IPCC and Renate Christ, Secretary of the IPCC

Short questions and answers

Research needs and priorities to support emerging issues under the UNFCCC: views by Parties

- **Mali on behalf of LDCs** (by Birama DIARRA): Needs for research and systematic observation in LDC's
- **Jamaica** (by Clifford Mahlung): AOSIS concerns and issues for consideration
- **Botswana** (by David Lesolle): Overview of Research Needs to address Climate Change: The case for Botswana
- **Papua New Guinea** (by Federica Bietta): Blue Carbon: Consideration in SBSTA
- **Switzerland** (by Jose Romero): Policy-making relevant questions to the socio-economic scientific community

Discussion on major research activities and findings, and emerging needs for policy-relevant information under the UNFCCC

Communicating climate science and building capacity for research in developing countries

12:45 -

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Summary of main results from the SBSTA workshop on research on communication and research-related capacity building issues

- *Speaker - Carlos Fuller, Belize, facilitator of session 3 of the research workshop*

Good practices and challenges in communicating climate change research results

- **Developments on the Global Framework for Climate Services: Communicating climate information**
 - Mannava Sivakumar, Director Climate Prediction and Adaptation Branch, World Meteorological Organization (WMO)
- Communicating climate science to policy makers: a success story from the **Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research (IAI)** collaborative research in the Americas
 - Ione Anderson, IAI
- **PROVIA**: Communicating scientific knowledge and needs for research on vulnerability, impacts and adaptation
 - Cynthia Rosenzweig, on behalf of PROVIA

Collaboration with and opportunities for building research capacity in developing countries

- Enhanced research capacity building in developing countries in the Asia-Pacific: success stories
 - Andrew Matthews, **Asia Pacific Network for Global Change Research (APN)** National Focal Point and Scientific Planning Group Member for New Zealand and APN SC Member
- Capacity building for adaptation research: STARTs African Climate Change Adaptation Fellowship Programme
 - Jon Padgham, International **START** secretariat

Short questions and answers

Needs and priorities for enhanced research capacity and for enhanced science-policy dialogue: views by Parties

- **Denmark** (by *Katrine Krogh Andersen*): Enhanced science-policy dialogue and communication

Discussion on on-going research activities and priorities in support of the Convention

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14:00

Concluding remarks by the Chair