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FIFTHEENTH AFRICAN CONTINENTAL CLIMATE OUTLOOK FORUM (ACCOF-15)

THE AFRICAN CENTER FOR METEOROLOGICAL APPLICATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT (ACMAD), AS A WMO REGIONAL CLIMATE CENTER (RCC) FOR AFRICA, ORGANIZES, AS PART OF ITS FUNCTIONS AND MANDATE, THE FIFTEENTH FORUM ON CLIMATE OUTLOOK FOR THE AFRICAN CONTINENT (ACCOF-15) IN COLLABORATION WITH OTHER RCCS IN AFRICA.THIS IS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF SUPPORTING CONTINENTAL CLIMATE SERVICES AND STRENGTHENING THE CAPACITY OF DESIGNATED AND DEVELOPING WMO RCCS TO REGIONALIZE THE PRODUCTS OF WMO GLOBAL PRODUCTION CENTERS (GPCS). IT ALSO PROVIDES A PLATFORM FOR DISCUSSIONS AND TECHNICAL EXCHANGES ON THE LATEST ADVANCES IN CLIMATE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, INTERREGIONAL INTERACTIONS IN AFRICA AND BETWEEN AFRICA AND OTHER WMO REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS. ACCOF 15 WILL EVALUATE THE PAST CLIMATE SEASONS OF SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER-NOVEMBER (SON) AND OCTOBER-NOVEMBER-DECEMBER (OND) 2023, AND ENABLE DISCUSSIONS ON THE CURRENT AND FUTURE EVOLUTION OF EL NIÑO AS WELL AS THE CLIMATE PERSPECTIVE FOR THE SEASON FEBRUARY TO MAY 2024 .

09th Fev 2024

Venue:
Online and physical, Niamey-Niger

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WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES

ACCOF aims at improving the contribution of RCCs to early warning and disaster preparedness, taking into account information on global climate drivers such as the El Niño Southern Oscillation (ENSO), Indian Ocean Dipole (IOD), Atlantic Dipole, Benguela Nino, Sub-tropical Indian Ocean Dipole (SIOD), North Atlantic Oscillation (NAO) amongst others.

The specific objectives of the meeting are to:

Review and verify forecasts for the SON and OND 2023 climate season

Discuss the current evolution of the El Niño Southern Oscillation and its impacts at the continental level and its influence with other drivers for the FMAM 2024 period across the continent and develop continental consensus climate forecasts for the FMAM 2024 season.

Ensure consistency of forward-looking statements at sub-regional and continental levels

Strengthen the interregional network of cross-border risk management centers

Obtain user feedback on potential impacts of the FMAM 2024 season during the second part of the rainfall seasons.

EXPECTED OUTCOME: Continental and Regional SON and OND 2023 seasonal forecasts reviewed and verified

- ◊ Climate Outlook Statement for the upcoming season prepared and published
- ◊ Verification and outlook products integrated and harmonized between continental and sub-regional levels
- ◊ Sectors potential hazards, risk events and impacts/consequences for SON and OND 2023 outlook identified and user feedback on the impacts of FMAM 2024 outlook documented.

COLLABORATORS:

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