

9th NORTH AFRICAN CLIMATE OUTLOOK FORUM (PRESANORD-9)

**November 25-26, 2015
Marrakech, Morocco**

Tentative program

Wednesday 25 November

09:00 – 10:30 Session I –Verification of the seasonal forecast bulletins (Chair: Tunisia)

- Representatives from each country will give a short presentation on their evaluation of the last summer and winter consensus bulletins of PRESANORD.
- NA-RCC Climate monitoring node will present the evaluation report over the region.

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break

10:30 – 12:30 Session II – Predictability and climate drivers for North African RCC region (Chair: Algeria)

- Ernesto Rodrigez (Spain)
- Massimiliano Pasqui (Italy)
- Mbaiguedem Miambaye (ACMAD/RCC)
- Wafae Badi (Morocco)
- Discussion

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch

13:30 – 15:30 Session III - Production of consensus climate outlook for DJF and JFM 2015-2016 (I) (Chair: Egypt)

- Seasonal climate outlook for the continent : ACMAD/RCC (Mbaiguedem Miambaye)
- Regional climate outlook for north Africa: NA-RCC (A. Kasmi)

- National inputs: Countries
- Forecast discussion: All

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break/Group photo

16:00 – 18:30 Session III (cont.) Production of consensus climate outlook for DJF and JFM 2015-2016 (II) (Chair: Libya)

- Production/presentation of PRESANORD-09 climate outlook bulletin and related press release: ACMAD/RCC, NA-RCC LRF Node and Countries

Thursday, 26 November

08:30-09:00 Registration (users representatives)

09:00-09:15 Opening

09:15 – 10:30 Session III – End users and potential use of seasonal forecasts (Chair: Morocco)

- What is seasonal forecast and what are the possibilities (Ernesto Rodrigez)
- Seasonal forecast in Morocco and the NA-RCC (Fatima Driouech)
- Potential and examples of use of forecasts:
 - Carlo Buontempo (UK)
 - Riad Balaghi (INRA, Morocco)
 - Med Sadek Boulahya (Ensurances)

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 12:00 Session III (cont.)– End users and potential use of seasonal forecasts)

- The needs of users:
 - Representatives from Agriculture department, Water department, Insurance, Forestry, Energy, ...)
- Discussion

12:00 – 13:00 Session IV – Consensus forecast and advices

- Presentation of the PRESANORD consensus Bulletin (Atika Kasmi)
- Discussions with users and production of advices

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch

14:30 – 16:00 Session IV - Session V – Next steps toward a better climate outlook bulletin & Verification

- The concept of Climate Services Toolkit (Anahit Hovsepyan, WMO)
- Toward a better climate monitoring and verification (Tunisia)
- Toward improved predictions (Morocco)

16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break

16:30 – 18:00 Session V - Discussion on PRESANORD/NA-RCC matters

18:00 – 18:30 Session VI - Conclusions and Recommendations

Closure