



# UNECA's Initiatives for Addressing Climate Change in Africa

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## **African Climate Policy Centre(ACPC)**

- ACPC is a pan-African climate change centre with the political mandate, and vision to make Africa's development sustainable, inclusive and climate-resilient.
- ACPC came into operation in 2010 and has been the secretariat of the ClimDev-Africa programme.
- ClimDev-Africa became operational in 2011, as a 10-year initiative to support the integration of climate change into development policy on the continent.











#### **Delivering climate resilient development policies in Africa**

A four year Sweden funded project to support African governments, private sector and communities to respond to impacts of climate change by enhancing the integrated implementation of NDCs.



#### **Focus areas**



- 1. Technical support for integrated implementation of Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs)
- 2. Building the resilience of African economies, societies and ecosystems to climate change
- 3. Addressing vulnerabilities and managing climate-induced human insecurity
- 4. Coordination, Knowledge Management and Partnerships





DFID funded demand-driven initiative to transform weather and climate information services in Africa through regional coordination and collaboration:

- Policy and enabling environment
- Climate Research for Development (CR4D)

#### **Policy and enabling environment**

- Provide a framework for coordination, particularly through strengthening the enabling environment for climate services;
- Enhance the production and delivery of weather and climate services and;
- Building partnerships.







#### Rationale

The CR4D initiative to strengthen links between climate science research and climate information needs in support development planning in Africa.

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# Four Priority Areas (ACC 2013)

- Enhancing Africa's scientific and institutional capacities and networks to undertake cutting edge user-drive climate research
- Creation of co-designed multi-disciplinary research to improve forecast skills and reliability
- Filling gaps in multi-sectorial and multidisciplinary data sets for sector-specific vulnerability and impacts assessments
- Fostering effective collaboration and interactions among climate science, services, policy, and practice communities.





#### African Infrastructure Resilience Facility(Afri-Res)

Strengthen the capacity of African institutions to plan, design, and implement climateresilient investments in selected sectors



#### Rationale



Enhancing the Climate Resilience of Africa's Infrastructure The Power and Water Sectors

Raffaelio Cenigni, Rikard Liden, James E. Neumann, and Kenneth M. Strzepek, Editors

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1. Long-lived investments in Africa are vulnerable to climate variability and change

- 2. The data, knowledge and technical capacity to plan and design climate resilient investments is inadequate
- 3. There are economies of scale to strengthen knowledge and capacity through regional and sub-regional organizations



## **ClimDev-Africa**

- A joint pan-African initiative of AUC, UNECA and AfDB
- Mandated at the highest level of Africa's political leadership (AU Summit of Heads of State and Government)
- It seeks to overcome the lack of climate information, analysis and options to support decision making





# **Further Information**

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**Thank you!** 

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