

Press Release

ClimSA Programme at COP29: Building capacity of regional climate centres to advance climate adaptation in the OACPS regions

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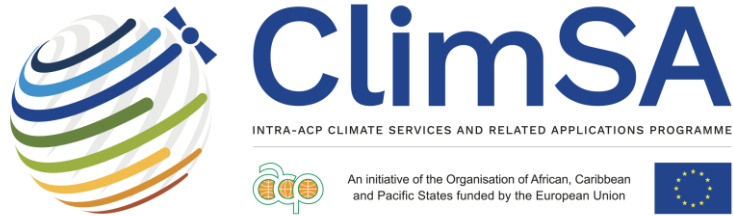
The ClimSA Programme, an initiative led by the Secretariat of the Organisation of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS), is proud to participate in COP29, a major global event on climate change. As COP29 focuses on climate finance, ClimSA's presence will highlight how building regional capacity to generate science-based evidence is essential to effectively harness financial resources for climate resilience in Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific.

ClimSA's participation will focus on two key themes: Strengthening regional capacity to develop climate services and building science-policy interfaces for climate action. By equipping regions with the infrastructure, tools and expertise to support decision-making, ClimSA will enable stakeholders to better access and implement climate finance mechanisms. This approach paves the way for turning financial commitments into effective climate action, enabling countries to design, finance and scale up initiatives that address their unique vulnerabilities.

Throughout COP29, ClimSA will host a series of side events in the Trade and Investment House, the CARICOM, Francophonie and Pacific pavilions, bringing together climate experts and users to discuss best practices, share insights and build collaborations. One of ClimSA's outcomes is to build stronger links between scientists and policymakers across the regions, fostering an environment where scientific knowledge informs policy and investment decisions.

Upcoming Side Events at COP29

- **Strengthening the Capacity of National Meteorological and Hydrological Services: Best Practices, Challenges and Opportunities**
16 November, 2:00-3:30 PM GMT+4 - CARICOM Pavilion
- **Engagement avec les utilisateurs finaux et les décideurs politiques pour améliorer les services climatiques en Afrique Centrale et de l'Ouest**
18 November, 8:30-9:30 AM GMT+4 - Pavillon de la Francophonie



- Leveraging Agriculture for Sustainable Solutions to Environmental Challenges
19 November, 3:30-4:30 PM GMT+4 – Trade and Investment House
- Building the science-policy interface to support climate policy development: Case study on socio-economic benefits of climate services in Guyana and Jamaica
19 Nov, 2:00-3:30 PM GMT+4- CARICOM Pavilion
- Building Domestic Capacity for Effective Adaptation and Resilient Economic Development in Small Island Developing States of Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific
20 November, 14:00-15:00 GMT+4- CARICOM Pavilion
- Building the science-policy interface to support climate policy development: Case study on socio-economic benefits of climate services in Fiji
20 Nov, 16:00-16:50 GMT+4- Moana Blue Pacific Pavilion
- Mainstreaming climate information in African sub-regions
22 Nov, 14:00-16:00 GMT+4- CARICOM Pavilion

Visit the event page for more updates on ClimSA's activities at COP29, where we will continue to share valuable insights and progress on advancing climate services for resilient communities across our partner regions.

EVENT PAGE: <https://www.climsa.org/events/climsa-cop29>

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