

Workshop on impacts of climate fluctuations and trends in West Africa.

26 February to 2nd of March 2007
Bamako (hosted by AMMA partners)

The workshop is organized by AMMA in collaboration with ENSEMBLES. It is open to all members of AMMA and ENSEMBLES interested in impact of variations and trends in the African monsoon and the links between the global climate and the African monsoon.

The aims of the workshop are :

- Coordinate studies on seasonal prediction and climate change between ENSEMBLES and AMMA.
- Integrate more strongly the different impact studies carried out within AMMA.
- Integrate the new African partners which have joined the AMMA-EU consortium.

The agenda will cover the following topics :

- A brief introduction to the two projects, ENSEMBLES and AMMA
- A brief review of the outcome of the AMMA SOP/EOP campaign
- West African Monsoon and the global climate
- Short to seasonal forecasts
- Scaling issues in the West African monsoon
- Land-productivity, including pastoral production
- Water resource management
- Public health
- Vulnerability and adaptation studies
- Early warning systems for food security

The first and last days of the workshop will be target towards the AMMA project, however an introduction to ENSEMBLES will be given Monday morning. The three middle days (starting Tuesday afternoon) will be a joint workshop.

Tentative time-schedule (as 20.12.2006):

	Monday 26	Tuesday 27	Wednesday 28	Thursday 1	Friday 2	
09-11 (1)	Intro AMMA TTC		WP5.2 RT6	WP1.1 WP5.1 RT5	Plenary	
11-01 (2)	AMMA – ENSEMBLES	WP3.2	WP3.4	Plenary - summary	Plenary	
13-14						
14-16 (3)		WP1.1 RT5	WP1.4 RT2b,RT3	Summary	AMMA GB	
16-18 (4)	WP3.1	WP3.3	SOP	WP3.1 RT6	WP3.3 RT6	AMMA GB

Plenary	Parallel or sub-groups	Lunch	Governing Board
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(In all sessions there should be time for discussions)

Monday

1 Introduction (Plenary)

Welcome and introduction to this meeting

Introduction to the workshop, and outline of the meeting: agenda, expected outcome

Introduction to the integrative and process studies in AMMA

Giving the TTC partners a feeling of the other activities in AMMA

2 AMMA-ENSEMBLES: Potential for collaboration (Plenary)

Overview of the impact studies in AMMA

Zooming into the impact themes in AMMA – trying to give an overview for the new partners and for ENSEMBLES

Overview of the ENSEMBLES project

Giving the AMMA-people an idea about the activities in ENSEMBLES so that we will be able to integrate this in the further work

3+4 Land Productivity; Water Resources (Parallel Work Package Meetings)

For the extended WPs to get organized. Focus should be on planning of work, and defining needs from other AMMA WPs and ENSEMBLE themes

WP3.1 Land productivity

WP3.3 Water Resources

Tuesday

1+2 Adaptation and environmental interactions; Health (Parallel Work Package Meetings)

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WP3.2 Adaptation and environmental interaction

WP3.4 Health

3 The WAM and the Global climate

Presentations from AMMA and ENSEMBLES: WP1.1 RT5

With the purpose to identify areas where the groups can collaborate

4 Presentation of the results from the SOP

The outcome of the SOP, what have been achieved?

Wednesday

1 Early Warning; Short to seasonal range forecasts (Parallel Meetings)

For the extended WPs to get organized. Focus should be on planning of work, and defining needs from other AMMA WPs and ENSEMBLES themes. For working-groups in AMMA and ENSEMBLES to coordinate the specific work.

WP5.2 – Early warning

WP1.1, WP5.1 + RT5 – Short to seasonal range forecasts

2 Summary of parallel sessions

With special attention to the links between WPs – needs from WP1.4 and ENSEMBLES will be addressed later

3 Downscaling issues

Presentation of the ongoing and planned work in AMMA and ENSEMBLES

Discussion of the links. *This should be presentations and discussions*

WP1.4, RT2b + RT3...

4 Land Productivity; Water Resources (Parallel meetings: AMMA+ENSEMBLES)

With special attention to the links with 1.4 and ENSEMBLES

WP3.1 RT6 Land productivity

WP 3.3 RT6 Water Resources

Thursday

1+2 Adaptation; Health (Parallel meetings: AMMA+ENSEMBLES)

With special attention to the links with 1.4 and ENSEMBLES

WP3.2 RT6 Adaptation and environmental interactions

WP3.4 RT6 Health

3 Summary and conclusions with ENSEMBLES

Brief summary and discussion of action plan

4 Coordination of the impact studies in AMMA international

Jan ? Can parallel sessions be organized here?

Friday

1+2 Summary

The GB members are present – conclusions of the previous four days workshop should be presented

3+4 Governing board meeting