



A Joint Meeting of the Royal Meteorological Society and the European Meteorological Society

Evaluating climate processes in West Africa: New perspectives from the African Monsoon Multidisciplinary Analysis (AMMA)

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Morning: AMMA and the operational environment in West Africa

- 0900 Introduction to the AMMA operational programme: Jan Polcher (CNRS, France)
- Operational meteorology: observational networks, weather analysis and forecasting: Andreas Fink (University of Cologne, Germany)
- 0940 Seasonal prediction for West Africa (joint with ENSEMBLES programme): Nathalie Philippon-Blanc (University of Bourgogne, France)
- 1005 Agriculture and climate vulnerability: Ole Mertz (University of Copenhagen, Denmark)
- 1030 Coffee
- 1100 Climate and health: Andrew Morse (University of Liverpool, UK)
- 1125 Hydrological processes and water resources: Harouna Karambiri (International Institute for Water and Environmental Engineering, Burkina Faso)
- 1150 Education in Meteorology and Climate in West Africa: Sylvester Danuor (Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Ghana)
- 1215 Lunch

Afternoon: AMMA science: Advances in understanding the West African monsoon

- 1400 President's introduction
- Organiser's introduction: The AMMA scientific programme: Philosophy, achievements and lessons learned: *Douglas Parker (University of Leeds, UK)*
- 1415 Evolution of our understanding of weather systems over West Africa: *Jean-Philippe Lafore* (CNRM, France)
- 1440 New perspectives on land-atmosphere interactions: Chris Taylor (CEH Wallingford, UK)
- 1505 The Water Cycle of the West African Monsoon: Anna Agusti-Panareda (ECMWF)
- 1530 Tea
- 1600 Atmospheric composition of West Africa and its role in the global climate: Celine Mari (CNRS / University of Toulouse, France)
- 1625 West African aerosol sources and their impact on the radiative balance. *Jim Haywood* (Met Office, UK)
- 1650 Equatorial upper-ocean dynamics and their interaction with the west African monsoon: Peter Brandt (IFM-GEOMAR, Germany)
- 1715 Seasonal and Intraseasonal variability of the West African Monsoon: Serge Janicot (CNRS, France)
- 1740 Closing remarks
- 1745 Meeting closes.