African Monitoring of the Environment for Sustainable Development









AMESD Policy Conference

The Use of Earth Observation to Support Environmental Policies in Africa UNECA Conference Centre – 22nd and 23rd May 2012

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DAY 1 (Tuesday 22nd May)			
Morning	9.00	Opening ceremony: Government of Ethiopia, AUC, EU Delegation to AU	
	9.30	Introductory session: - Presentation of AMESD (AUC-AMESD) - Inauguration of exhibition stands	
	10.30	Coffee break	
	10.45	Session 1: Use of EO technologies for policy making (Chair : AUC- Rapporteur AMESD Secretariat): - Societal Benefits of Earth System Science - Dr. Shailesh Nayak - Secretary to the Government of India - Ministry of Earth Sciences - Searching for balance in the Land-use Market place - Dr. Alan Belward - Head of Land Resource Management Unit - JRC: - GMES: Global land component for policy making - Michel Massart-European Commission Directorate-General for Enterprise and Industry GMES H4 - Presentation of the conclusion of a study on existing African policies for the use of satellite remote sensing for development purposes (Dr. Pierre Engel AMESD/SIRS)	
	12.30	Lunch	
	14.00	Session 2: The use of AMESD services for policy making in ECOWAS, SADC and CEMAC region – Chair AUC - Rapporteur MOI	
		 Showcasing how AMESD services are/could be used to support policy making – supporting food security policies in ECOWAS region (20 minutes) Showcasing how AMESD services are/could be used to support policy making -supporting agriculture and environment resource management policies in SADC Region (20 minutes) Showcasing how AMESD services are/could be used to support policy making – supporting Natural habitat Conservation policies in IGAD (20 minutes) 	
	15.00	Session 3: Round tables (Chair AUC - Rapporteur MOI): Round table 1: the perspectives of AMESD services usage in support to policy making in ECOWAS, IGAD, SADC - Debate/round table (60 minutes) with 1 REC (moderator), Agrhymet, BDMS, ICPAC and 4 policy makers from member countries.	
	16.00	Coffee break	
	16.15	Round table 2: : Possible ways forward for increased use of EO for improved decision-making on natural resources and sustainable development Chair (AUC)-Rapporteur CICOS - Participants: EC-ENTR, CILSS Executive Secretary, UNECA	
-	17,15	Closing first day	























Day 2 (Wednesday 23rd May)			
Morning	9.00	Session 4: The use of AMESD services for policy making in CEMAC and IOC (Chair AUC – Rapporteur BDMS)	
		- Showcasing how AMESD services are/could be used to support policy making – supporting transport policy on Ubangui river (navigation) in CEMAC region (20 minutes)	
		 Showcasing how AMESD services are/could be used to support policy making in IOC supporting fishing policies (20 minutes) 	
	9.40	Coffee break	
	10,00	Session 5: Round table (Chair AUC – Rapporteur ICPAC) Round table 1: the perspectives of AMESD services usage in support to policy making in CEMAC and MOI - Debate/round table (60 minutes) with 1 REC (IOC moderator), CICOS, MOI, and 4 policy makers (topic related to showcasing presentations).	
	11.00	Session 6: Participants' debate. Prof Hussein O. Farah – Director RCRMD – Nairobi – Rapporteur Agrhymet Policy makers to present their needs in term of using data/information for policy making in plenary session.	
	13.00	Lunch	
Afternoon	14.30	Session 7: use of AMESD services to report on MEAs – (AUC Chair – Rapporteur AMESD Secretariat) Ms. Fatoumata Jallow Ndoye & Mr. Livingstone Sindayigaya - Project Coordinators EC-ACP Capacity Building Project on MEAs DREA, African Union Commission - Debate/Q&A	
	15.30	Coffee break	
	15.45	Conclusions and recommendations	
	17.00	Closing ceremony	





















