

# Adaptation

Climate Change Adaptation in Africa

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#### 1. **CCAA at COP 13 in Bali**

Officials and observers from over 180 countries will meet in Bali, Indonesia in December for the 13th Conference of Parties to the UNFCCC (COP 13) and the Third Meeting of Parties to the Kyoto Protocol. The Climate Change Adaptation in Africa program will host two events at the Conference, which will interest donors, government officials, and representatives of nongovernmental organizations working on climate change and rural development.

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#### 2. **CCAA training workshops launched**

Building African capacity to address the expected impacts of climate change is core to CCAA's mandate. Weak adaptive capacity is a major contributor to Africa's high vulnerability to climate change. In August 2007, a series of workshops specifically aimed at CCAA partners got underway, addressing topics key to action research on adaptation.

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#### 3. **African climate change fellowships**

Funding support from the Climate Change Adaptation in Africa program will provide some 58 African scholars with fellowships to pursue advanced studies related to climate change and adaptation. The new suite of fellowships is being developed and delivered through a partnership between the Pan-African Committee of START (the global change SysTem for Analysis, Research and Training), the Institute of Resource Assessment (IRA) of the University of Dar es Salaam, and the African Academy of Sciences (AAS).

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#### 4. **Engaging at-risk groups**

Consistent with its goal of supporting research on adaptation to address the needs of groups vulnerable to climate change in Africa, on July 26-27, 2007, the CCAA program hosted a meeting in Dakar, Senegal with a number of West African organizations representing at-risk groups.

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## 5. CCAA resources online

The following CCAA resources are now available online:

- **Annual Report 2006-2007**  
[http://www.idrc.ca/ccaa/ev-116309-201-1-DO\\_TOPIC.html](http://www.idrc.ca/ccaa/ev-116309-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html)
- **CCAA program strategy overview**  
[http://www.idrc.ca/ccaa/ev-115966-201-1-DO\\_TOPIC.html](http://www.idrc.ca/ccaa/ev-115966-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html)
- **Scoping study: “Elements of a Regional Climate Change Adaptation Strategy” (West Africa)**  
[http://www.idrc.ca/ccaa/ev-116643-201-1-DO\\_TOPIC.html](http://www.idrc.ca/ccaa/ev-116643-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html)

## 6. CCAA supported research

Research projects supported by the CCAA program can be searched by region at [http://www.idrc.ca/ev\\_en.php?ID=113006\\_201&ID2=DO\\_TOPIC](http://www.idrc.ca/ev_en.php?ID=113006_201&ID2=DO_TOPIC)

*The **Climate Change Adaptation in Africa (CCAA)** research and capacity development program aims to improve the capacity of African people and organizations to adapt to climate change in ways that benefit the most vulnerable. The program was launched in 2006 and is jointly funded by Canada’s [International Development Research Centre \(IDRC\)](#) and the United Kingdom’s [Department for International Development \(DFID\)](#). It is hosted and managed by IDRC from headquarters in Ottawa and three regional offices in Africa.*

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