

**Accelerating Climate Action through Science and Policy:  
The Work, Activities and Findings of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate  
Change - Significance and Implications for Africa**

Virtual event

Organized by UNU-INRA and AAS the participation of IPCC speakers

**Provisional Programme**

**27 May 2021**

Starting at 11:00 am GMT

**11:00 – 11:20 am GMT - Opening Ceremony**

Master of ceremony:

- Obed Ogega, Programme Officer, AAS

Opening Statements by:

- Fatima Denton, Director of UNU-INRA
- Felix Dapare Dakora, President of the AAS
- Hoesung Lee, Chair of the IPCC

**11:20 – 11:30 GMT - Break**

**11:30 – 13:30 GMT – Most Recent IPCC Findings with a Focus on Africa**

The main aim is to present the key messages of the three most recent special reports of the IPCC with regional focus on Africa. These three special reports are on [Global Warming of 1.5°C](#), [Climate Change and Land](#), and [the Ocean and Cryosphere in a Changing Climate](#). Ample time will be left for discussions.

Moderator:

- Chris Gordon, Founding Director Institute for Environment and Sanitation Studies

Physical environment and Ecosystem changes

- Christopher Trisos, IPCC Author and Director of the Climate Risk Lab, African Climate and Development Initiative

Societal changes

- Fatima Denton, IPCC Author and Director of UNU-INRA

Low-carbon and climate resilient development: Energy & Land

- Youba Sokona, IPCC Vice-Chair

Low-carbon and climate resilient development: Urban, Industry, Governance, Capacity, Finance

- Debra Roberts, IPCC Working Group II Co-Chair

Q&A session

**13:30 – 14:30 GMT Break**

**14:30 – 15:30 GMT - What is the IPCC and how to participate in its work?**

The event will raise awareness about the work and activities of the IPCC and provide updates on the preparations of the upcoming Sixth Assessment Report. It will further aim to stimulate regional contribution to the activities of the IPCC by providing information on the IPCC processes.

Moderator:

- Jonathan Lynn, IPCC Head of Communications and Media Relations

Key-note speech:

- Abdallah Mokssit, IPCC Secretary

Panel discussions: sharing experiences on how the IPCC can work better for you

- Fatima Denton, Director UNU-INRA
- Salif Diop, IPCC Focal Point at AAS

**15:30 – 16:00 – Break**

**16:00 – 17:00 GMT - Setting Priorities for Climate Change and Development for Africa**

*(organized by the hosts as a follow up-programme in progress by AAS)*

*Other workshops might be organized by AAS and UNU as a follow up to this event on the same day or in the future and will be announced in a due course.*