



Workshop Information Sheet

Insights and Tools for Adaptation: Learning from Climate Variability

Date: 18-20 November 2003

Location: Washington, DC, USA

Goal: Synthesize key adaptation lessons learned from NOAA-supported research and applications on interannual timescales and explore the practical implications of these insights for climate change adaptation research, decision making, and development planning in the U.S. and overseas.

Objectives:

- Provide insights gained from climate variability research and applications activities in key climate-sensitive sectors including agriculture and food security, water resources, public health, disaster prevention and risk management, humanitarian assistance, fisheries, coastal resource management, hydropower, and forest fire management.
- Explore the implications and identify the limits of these insights, for climate change adaptation, research, decision making, and development planning.
- Feed the conclusions back into scientific planning, both for identifying adaptation options and for studying the physical climate system, to support improved management of the risks and opportunities associated with climate now and in the future.

Participants:

A cross-section of leading researchers, managers, and decision-makers that the NOAA Office of Global Programs has partnered with over the past 15 years through sponsored research and applications activities of its Climate and Societal Interactions Division.

Logistics:

- **Important Dates:** Registration Forms are due by 14 October 2003; completed background papers and poster abstracts must be submitted by 30 October 2003.
- **Hotel Reservations:** If you would like assistance making a hotel reservation in Washington, DC, at the workshop rate of \$150 per night, please be sure to indicate your interest on page two of the Registration Form.
- **Limited Funding** is available. To assist us in supporting those who are unable to participate without financial assistance, please do not request funding if your institution has travel funds available. We will consider requests for one person from each institution or project.
- **Note on Visas:** If you are coming from overseas, please note that processing time for U.S. visas may have increased since your last visit. Please plan accordingly.
- **Workshop website:** <http://www.climateadaptation.net>, also to be posted at <http://www.climateadaptation.gov>

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