

**SBSTA Dialogue on developments in research activities relevant to the needs of the
Convention**

SBSTA 30

Tine: Wednesday, 3 June 2009, 11:30 - 14:00 hrs

Venue: Reger, Hotel Maritim, Bonn

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

- Opening and Introduction - Ms. Helen Plume, Chair of the SBSTA
- Presentations by international research programmes, organizations and networks active in climate change research and the IPCC
 - **Earth System Science Partnership (ESSP)** - Prof. Rik Leemans, Chair of the ESSP Scientific Committee, on behalf of ESSP and its member programmes: World Climate Research Programme (WCRP), International Geosphere-Biosphere Programme (IGBP), International Human Dimensions Programme (IHDP) and DIVERSITAS
 - **International Alliance of Research Universities (IARU)** - Prof. Katherine Richardson, Chair of the Scientific Steering Committee of the IARU International Scientific Congress on Climate Change (Copenhagen 2009, 10-12 March)
 - **Intergovernmental Panel of Climate Change (IPCC)** - Jean-Pascal van Ypersele, Vice-Chair of IPCC
- Questions and answers to international programmes, organizations, networks and the IPCC
- Presentations by regional research programmes, organizations and networks active in climate change research, with focus on research-related capacity-building activities and activities in the regions
 - **START** - Jon Padgham, International START secretariat
 - **7th Framework Programme (FP7)** - Elisabeth Lipiatou, DG Research EC
 - **Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research (IAI)** - Holm Tiessen, IAI Director
 - **Asia Pacific Network for Global Change Research (APN)** - Andrew Matthews, Co-chair, APN Scientific Planning Group
- Questions and answers to regional programmes, organizations and networks
- Discussion
- Concluding remarks by the Chair

Annex

Excerpt from the conclusions of the 26th session of the SBSTA (FCCC/SBSTA/2007/4, para. 47):

The SBSTA invited relevant research programmes and organizations to regularly inform the SBSTA of developments in research activities relevant to the needs of the Convention, including:

- (a) Emerging scientific findings;
- (b) Research planning activities, including those undertaken in response to key uncertainties and research needs identified by the IPCC or raised by Parties;
- (c) Research priorities, and gaps in the implementation of these priorities;
- (d) Research capacity-building activities, particularly in developing countries;
- (e) Regional climate change research networks;
- (f) Relevant communication issues.
