



ANNOUNCEMENT

62nd Greater Horn of Africa Climate Outlook Forum (GHACOF 62) for the October to December (OND) 2022 season

23 - 25 August 2022

1. INTRODUCTION

The IGAD Climate Prediction and Applications Centre (ICPAC) is organizing, in collaboration with partners, the 62nd Greater Horn of Africa Climate Outlook Forum (GHACOF 62) for the October to December (OND) 2022 season. The hybrid forum will be held in Mombasa (Kenya) on 25th August and be accessible in person and online. It is part of the IGAD Regional Strategy for Mainstreaming Climate Services in Key Socio-economic Sectors' Plans for Sustainable Development. The theme of this forum is ***"Managing Climate Risks for Resilience"***.

GHACOF62 will bring together climate scientists, researchers, users from key socio-economic sectors, governmental and non-governmental organizations, development partners, decision-makers, and civil society stakeholders among others. The forum will be preceded by the Climate Prediction Development workshop from 15th to 19th August 2022 to be held at ICPAC and co-production workshops with keys sectors such as Agriculture, Water, Energy, Health, Livestock, Conflicts, and Disaster Risk Management among others from 23rd to 24th August 2022.

2. FORUM OBJECTIVES

The main objectives of the forum will be to:

- i. Present feedback on performance and impacts of the June to September 2022 season;
- ii. Present the consolidated objective regional climate outlook for the OND 2022 season;
- iii. Deliberate and provide implications of the OND 2022 climate forecast and management strategies;

- iv. Provide a regional interaction platform for decision makers, climate scientists, research scientists, users of climate information and development partners;
- v. Release the forum outcomes and GHACOF 62 statement.

3. STAKEHOLDERS AND PARTNERS

The key stakeholders include the National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs) of Eastern Africa (Institut Géographique du Burundi, Agence Météorologique Nationale de Djibouti, Eritrea Meteorological Service, Ethiopia Meteorological Institute, Kenya Meteorological Department, Rwanda Meteorological Agency, South Sudan Meteorological Service, Sudan Meteorological Authority, Somalia Meteorological Service, Tanzania Meteorological Authority and Uganda National Meteorological Authority) as well as international partner organizations such as the World Meteorological Organisation (WMO), European Union, and Organisation of the Africa, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States (OACPS) among others.

4. WORKING LANGUAGE

The working language for the forum will be English.

5. PARTICIPATION

Interested participants especially from relevant socio-economic sectors, development partners, end users of climate services, academia, researchers, climate information providers and humanitarian agencies should register on the link provided on the ICPAC website by 15th August 2022 in order to access the forum.