4th AMHEWAS Coordination and Co-Production Meeting

20-22 April 2026, Douala, Cameroon

Agenda

Day 1 – Apri 20th		
Strategic Review, Policy Alignment & Interoperability		
Time	**Session**	**Moderator / Speaker**
08:30 – 09:00	Registration	AUC
09:00 – 09:30	**Opening Ceremony** • Welcome by ECCAS • Remarks by UNDRR • Opening Remarks by AUC	**Moderator**: **AUC**
09:30 – 10:00	Workshop Objectives, Expected Outcomes, Agenda Adoption & Group Photo	Lusajo Ambukege AUC
10:00 – 10:30	**Coffee Break**	**All**
10:30 – 11:00	Updates from the previous meeting	Alain Koualao - AUC
11:00 – 12:00	**Session 1: AMHEWAS Implementation Progress Review** • Continental overview • Regional updates (SADC, ECOWAS, ECCAS, ICPAC, EAC) • Status of Situation Rooms	**Moderator**: ***Dr Dorcas Kalele***, Board Member Africa Science and Technology Advisory Group on DRR (AfSTAG-DRR) **Presenters**: (AUC-Alain/Lusajo), Partners RECs and MS
12:00 – 13:00	**Lunch Break**	**All**
13:00 – 14:30	**Session 2: Strengthening Interoperability of Situation Rooms** • Coordination & Co-production Mechanism a. Review of interoperability principles b. Co-production good practices c. Challenges in data sharing and operationalization • Synergy and Potential Interoperability of RC EOCs to AMHEWAS Situation Room. (10 minutes)	**Moderator**: ***Mrs Sehenoarinjakamalala Tahiry RAKOTOHERINIAINA*** Area Representative ITU Area Office for Central Africa and Madagascar, Yaounde **Presenters**: ACMAD, CIMA, RECs, IFRC
14:30 – 15:00	**Coffee Break**	
15:00 – 16:30	**Session 2: (Continues)**	**Moderator**: ***Dr Roberto Rudari***, Director

	• Technical architecture harmonization • Common protocols and alert thresholds Integration with national systems	CIMA Research Foundation **Presenters**: WMO, UNDRR, AUC
16:30 – 17:00	Day 1 Wrap-Up & Key Takeaways	Rapporteur

Day 2 – April 21st		
Innovation, Products & Presentation of the SIMEX Handbook & Toolkit		
Time	**Session**	**Moderator / Speaker**
09:00 – 09:15	Recap of Day 1	Rapporteur
09:15 – 10:45	**Session 4: Showcasing New Products & Services** 1. Wildfire monitoring and early warning (SADC-SHOC) (15 minutes) **2. Drought monitoring and forecasting** - ECCAS Regional Drought (ECCAS 15 mins) Watch - Africa Drought Watch (ADW) Advancements: Progress and updates (AUC) Impact-based analytics (CIMA) (15 mins) - Seasonal forecast integration (ACMAD) (15 mins)	**Moderator**: ***Dr Marianne Diop Kane***, Programme Manager WMO
10:45 – 11:15	**Coffee Break**	
11:15 – 12:45	**Session 5: Session 5: Anticipatory Action -** **Enhancing Implementation of AA in MHEWS Situation Rooms (Regional, country - ECCAS, IGAD, SADC, ECOWAS, Angola, Cameroon, Chad, Ethiopia, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Togo, and Zambia)** • **Opening & Context Setting (10mn-JOHN-AUC)** • **Presentation: AA Implementation Experiences (30mn) – MS and/or RECs** ○ **Presenter A (IFRC)**: Linking forecasts to early action triggers ○ **Presenter B (SHOC/ICPAC)**: Challenges in operationalizing AA in Situation Rooms - **Presenter C (AUC-John)**: Proposed	**Moderator**: ***Ms Asha Sitati,*** Programme Management Officer UNDRR

	short-term and Medium action for enhancing AA at the regional and country Level Operational Model for AA in Situation Rooms • **Interactive Discussion: Strengthening AA in MHEWS (25mn)** • **Wrap-up & Key Takeaways (5mn)**	
12:45 – 13:45	**Lunch Break**	
13:45 – 15:15	**Session 6: Country-Level Practical Experiences on integration of early warning systems (EWS) and meteorological products, and lessons for strengthening AMHEWAS support** • **Introduction (5 min)** • **Country Presentations (15mn each country):** ○ **South Africa:** Experiences in operationalizing multi-hazard early warning systems, key successes, and challenges. ○ **Cameroon:** Insights from national coordination of early warning products and decision-making processes. ○ **Mozambique:** Lessons learned from disaster response integration and community-level engagement. • **Interactive Discussion (20mn):** ○ Comparative lessons across the three countries. ○ Challenges in data sharing, coordination, and integration of early warning products into national systems. • **Closing & Key Takeaways (5 min)** ○ Recommendations for strengthening AMHEWAS support to national EW systems.	**<u>Moderator</u>**: **Mr Habib Hlali**,Food Security / Environment Expert Arab Maghreb Union (AMU)
15:15 – 15:30	**Coffee Break**	
15:30 – 16:45	**Session 7: AMHEWAS SIMEX Handbook & Toolkit: Applying discussion-based simulation exercises to test and integrate AMHEWAS products into national Early Warning Systems in African Countries**	**Moderator**: ***Mr Semingar Ngaryamngaye*****,** Head DRM and CCA ECCAS

	○ Overview of the AMHEWAS SIMEX Handbook, including objectives and methodology ○ Simulation exercise framework and next steps • **Group Discussions** ○ Group 1: Technical & Operational Aspects ○ Group 2: Governance & Coordination ○ Group 3: Scalability & Integration with RECs • Restitution in Plenary by Group Rapporteurs	**Presenters**: AUC & Technical Drafting Team
16:45 – 17:15	Plenary Feedback & Consolidation	Rapporteurs

Day 3 – April 22nd		
Action Planning & Way Forward		
Time	**Session**	**Moderator / Speaker**
09:00 – 09:15	Recap of Day 2	Rapporteur
09:15 – 10:45	**Session 7: Defining Priority Actions (2026–2027)** • Continental priorities • Regional implementation roadmap • Member State integration	**Moderator**: ***Mrs Teresa Pinto,*** DRR Technical Coordinator AUC **Presenters**: Lusajo - AUC & RECs
10:45 – 11:15	**Coffee Break**	
11:15 – 12:30	**Session 8: Adoption of Workshop Action Matrix**	**Moderator**: ***Ms Pamela Levira***, Policy Officer, AUC **Presenters**: Mr Lusajo Ambukege AUC
12:30 – 13:30	**Lunch Break**	
13:30 – 14:30	**Closing Ceremony** • Reflections from RECs • UNDRR Remarks • AUC Closing Statement	Representatives
13:30 – 16:00	**Visit to the CEEAC Regional Climate Centre** • Presentations & Simulations • Q & A	Volunteers