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IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON FOOD SECURITY, HEALTH AND WATER

NORTH- SOUTH RESEARCH PROJECTS AND KNOWLEDGE SHARING IN A NEW NETWORK

MEETING PRESENTING AN INITIATIVE TO PROMOTE RESEARCH COOPERATION AND NORTH-SOUTH KNOWLEDGE SHARING

May 14, 2009 – 14:30-16:30

University of Copenhagen, Geo-Center

“Understanding the linkages between climate change, human health, water and food security: Research and knowledge sharing for Southern Africa” was the topic for a workshop held in Cape Town, South Africa - February 18-20, 2009 organized and financed by: DBL, DDRN, DWF and Enreca Health in cooperation with several research institutions from Southern Africa.

40 participants from Southern Africa and Denmark attended this workshop and it was concluded with the establishment of a network for cooperation on climate change research in and with the SADC region, and the participants elected an Interim Steering Committee for this initiative.

The aim of this meeting is to present the network for a Danish audience of researchers and practitioners who are working within the themes covered by SACCNET and who may be interested in joining the network and/or participating in North-South research projects. The meeting also aims at establishing a Danish reference group for this activity.

SEMINAR PROGRAMME:

- Introduction to the initiative by: Anne Sørensen, Chief Coordinator, DDRN
- Overviews of climate change research in Denmark and in Southern Africa by: Thomas Birk PhD, KU and Peter Furu, Senior Advisor, DBL – Centre for Health Research and Development.
- Network participation as entry to international research cooperation by Ole Fryd, PhD, KU-Life
- SACCNET suggestions for working groups, activities and projects based on previous North-South cooperation experience, Sven-Erik Jacobsen, Lecturer KU-Life and Jens Ravnsø Jensen, Lecturer, KU-Life
- Discussion of Research themes within climate change, health, food security and water, North South Research cooperation and participation in working groups within SACCNET moderated by Miriam Feilberg, Network Coordinator, DWF.

Conclusion and establishment of Danish reference group for SACCNET.

Participation is free, but registration is required at DWF, att. Hanne Berthelsen, phone: +45 45 16 90 38 or mail: dwf@danishwaterforum.dk. More information about SACCNET on:

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