The GCCA Intra-ACP Programme

Third Regional Technical Meeting 25th – 26th April 2016 Port Louis, Mauritius

CONCEPT NOTE

Background

The GCCA Intra-ACP Programme is a component of the Global Climate Change Alliance (GCCA), which specifically targets the ACP group of States, helping them to better tackle climate change as a challenge to their development.

The Programme hosts a series of technical meetings with Regional partners during which common issues related to climate change are discussed.

The first and the second regional technical meetings (RTMs), hosted in 2013 and 2014, built the ground for dialogue and meaningful conversation among the GCCA Intra-ACP regional implementing entities on best practices and lesson learned drawn from regional implementation activities.

Building on the outcomes of the 21st session of the Conference of the Parties (COP21) to the UNFCC, hosted in Paris in December 2015, the meeting will focus on the African, Caribbean and Pacific Small Islands States (SIDs) and the challenges they face as consequence of climate change.

The Programme will host the third RTM in collaboration with the regional partner UNECA/ClimDev in Port Louis, Mauritius, in April 2016.

Objectives

The meeting will have two main objectives:

- To facilitate dialogue and exchange of best practices among the ACP SIDS and coastal zones in the management of coastal and marine resources to promote climate change adaptation and mitigation.
- To Identify priority actions promoting inter and intra regional cooperation and coordination in ACP SIDS and coastal zones in the implementation of the outcomes of COP 21, taking into account the conclusions of the ACP Special post COP 21 meeting (Brussels 22nd and 23rd March 2016, ACP House).

Organisation

Participants will include representatives from ACP Regional organizations, African SIDS and high-level representatives from the EU Delegation, the Ministry of Environment of Mauritius, and delegations from co-organizers.

Based on the presentations during the meeting, a discussion draft will be prepared as a basis for future discussions and collaborations among the regions.

