









## **REGIONAL CLIMATE OUTLOOK FORUM FOR THE GULF OF GUINEA REGION 2023 TENTH EDITION**

ACMAD IN COLLABORATION WITH THE AGRHYMET CENTER AND METEOROLOGICAL DEPARTMENT OF TOGO WITH ITS TECHNICAL PARTNERS ORGANIZES THE REGIONAL SEASONAL FORECAST FORUM UNDER THE THEME "CLIMATE SERVICE FOR EARLY WARNING and for Rapid Action in the Gulf of Guinea region"

he regional Agenda 2063 – "leaving no one behind" and the UN 2030 agenda for sustainable development. EACH YEAR, EXTREME WEATHER, HYDROLOGICAL AND CLIMATIC DISASTERS (SEVERE STORMS, FLOODS, HEAT WAVES AND DROUGHTS) CAUSE LOSS OF LIFE AND SIGNIFICANT SOCIO-ECONOMIC IMPACTS, SIGNIFICANTLY COMPROMISING SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH, IN PARTICULAR IN COUNTRIES LOW RESOURCES.THE PRESAGG WAS INITIATED IN 2014 IN COLLABO-RATION WITH METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES, REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN RESPONSE TO THE NEED FOR INFOR-MATION ON THE CLIMATE OF THE GULF OF GUINEA TO BETTER MANAGE CLIMATE RISKS IN THIS REGION .THE FORUM WILL BE FOL LOWED BY THE DEVELOPMENT BY EACH COUNTRY OF DETAILED NATIONAL SEASONAL FORECASTS WITH ALERT INFORMATION THROUGH THE NATIONAL CLIMATE OUTLOOK FORUMS, THE RESULTS OF WHICH WILL BE COMMUNICATED TO DECISION-MAKERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC. ACMAD SUPPORTS COUNTRIES IN PILOT INITIATIVES FOR THE PRODUCTION, COMMUNICATION AND USE OF

LOCALIZED SEASONAL FORECASTS.



## THE FORUM SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

- Promote the exchange of knowledge between climate experts and users of climate information and services;
- Produce consensual seasonal climate forecasts valid for the seasons March to June 2023 in the region:
- Facilitate the application of these forecasts for water management, disaster risk, agriculture and the improvement of resilience in other socio-economic sectors;
- Check the 2022 forecasts, facilitate the collection of information on experiences and lessons learned from the use of the 2022 seasonal forecasts:
- Discuss the impacts and consequences of the 2023 seasonal consensus forecasts:
- Formulate strategies and practices for the management of risks and opportunities in the socio-economic sectors, particularly agriculture and water.

## **EXPECTED OUTCOMES**

- $\Rightarrow$  The technical capacities of national experts are strengthened;
- ⇒ Consensual seasonal forecast, hazards, potential impacts and
- ⇒ response measures produced and disseminated;
- $\Rightarrow$  Enhanced interaction with users.





