

ENLACE sixth Experts Dialogue to foster bi-regional RTD cooperation between Europe and Central America. Panamá.



The ENLACE (Enhancing Scientific Cooperation between the European Union and Central America) project organized the sixth Experts Dialogue to foster bi-regional RTD cooperation between Europe and Central America. This sixth round held in Ciudad de Panama, in conjunction with the EUCARINET project (Fostering EU-Caribbean Research and Innovation Networks), contributed to the enhancement of the bi-regional and triangular cooperation in Central America, the Caribbean (CAC) and in the EU. The thematic areas covered in this round were: - Climate change and its relation with ecosystems; - Sustainable management of natural resources and natural hazards related problems; - Scenarios of climate change (Distribution and extinction risk of species). The aim of the Workshop was to bring together EC representatives high level experts from Central America, the Caribbean and EU.

22nd April: Plenary Morning Session

1. Christophe Yvetot, United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
2. Jorge León Cortes - ECOSUR
3. Rafael Reyna-Hurtado - ECOSUR
4. Rafael Reyna-Hurtado - ECOSUR II

Parallel Session

Priorities Experts Dialogue Workshop – Identifying research lines of mutual interest

Climate change and its relation with ecosystems (regional integrated approach including scenarios, modeling tools and assessment of climate extremes)

1. Carlota Monroy PhD. Senior researcher Laboratory of Plied entomology and Parasitology School of Biology. San Carlos University of Guatemala.

2. José R. Fábrega D., PhD. Centro de Investigaciones Hidráulicas e Hidrotécnicas. Universidad Tecnológica de Panamá
3. C. Marcia Henry. Scientific Research Council, Jamaica
4. Rahanna Juman- Institute of Marine Affairs (IMA) Trinidad and Tobago
5. Rapporteur: Prof. Jose M Baldasano. Technical University of Catalonia (UPC), Spain

Sustainable management of natural resources and natural hazards related problems

1. Benjamin Mueller - Royal Netherlands Institute for Sea Research Biological Oceanography Antilles
2. Sergio Calabrese. Dept. of Earth and Sea Sciences - University of Palermo (Italy). National Institute of Geophysics and Volcanology (Italy)
3. Angie Murillo Gough. National Autonomous University of Honduras. Regional University Center of the Atlantic Coast
4. Henri Valles. University of West Indies
5. Dr Didier Bernard, assistant professor. Laboratoire de Recherche en Géosciences et Energies (LaRGE). Université des Antilles et de la Guyane (UAG)
6. Jorge Mendoza. ECOSUR, Mexico.

Scenarios of climate change. (Distribution and extinction risk of species)

1. Gisbert R. Boekhoudt Aruba's Directorate of Nature and Environment
2. Carlos Rodríguez. Ministerio de Educación Superior, Ciencia y Tecnología. República Dominicana
3. Jorge Cortés. Centro de Investigación en Ciencias del Mar y Limnología (CIMAR). Universidad de Costa Rica
4. Charles Aker. UNAN-León, Nicaragua

23rd April: Plenary Morning Session

1. Claudia Guerrero. Delegation of SOM, Panamá.
2. Jorge Mendoza. ECOSUR, Mexico.

Conclusions and recommendations from the Expert thematic dialogue workshops

1. Rapporteur: Prof. Jose M Baldasano. Technical University of Catalonia (UPC), Spain
2. Rapporteur: Dr. Evangelos Kosmidis (DRAXIS SA)
3. Rapporteur: Sergio Calabrese. Dept. of Earth and Sea Sciences - University of Palermo (Italy)