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**CLIMAFRICA
FORUM 2025**

**From Risk to Resilience:
Meteorology and Innovation
Driving Africa's Early Warning
Systems**

29th - 30th September, 2025 | UM6P, Rabat, Morocco

**AFRICA'S FORUM ON INNOVATION
FOR METEOROLOGY & CLIMATE!**

AGENDA DAY 1 – SEPTEMBER 29, 2025

YOUTH & INNOVATION DAY

THEME: FROM IDEAS TO IMPACT:

TECH & DATA INNOVATION FOR CLIMATE RESILIENCE AND EARLY WARNING IN AFRICA

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09:00 – 09:30 : Opening Ceremony :

- Welcome remarks from host institutions (DGM)
- Official opening by high-level authorities (sponsors)
- Opening Welcome Remarks from Platinum Sponsor

09:30 – 10:30 : Setting the Stage :

- Keynote: The Urgency of Innovation: Tech & Data for Climate Resilience in Africa
 - World Meteorological Organization - Regional Office for Africa
 - United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction - Regional Office for Arab States
 - Copernicus
- Panel: Enabling Environments for Climate Tech & Youth Innovation
 - Youth4Climate
 - Accuweather
 - Deutscher Wetterdienst (German Meteorological Service)
 - aWhere

10:30 – 12:00 : Pitch Session – Part 1 :

- 3 shortlisted teams present their solutions (10 min pitch + Q&A)

12:00 – 13:30 : Lunch Break & Networking :

- Access to the Skylabs Innovation Zone (posters, interactive demos)

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13:30 – 15:00 : **Pitch Session – Part 2 :**

- 3 remaining shortlisted teams present their solutions

15:00 – 16:30 : **Interactive Exchange :**

- Roundtables with young innovators, institutions, and investors
- Poster session continues

16:30 – 17:00 : **Announcement of Top 3 Finalists :**

- Closing remarks
- End of Day 1 activities

DAY 2 - CONTINUED OVERLEAF

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08:00 – 09:00 : Welcome Coffee & Delegate Arrival :

09:00 – 09:10 : Opening Remarks by Official Hostess of ClimAfrica 2025

09:10 – 10:00 : Ministerial & High Addresses :

- Ministers from key climate-affected sectors
 - Minister of Equipment and Water
 - Minister of Agriculture, Maritime Fisheries, Rural Development, and Water and Forests.
 - Minister of Energy Transition and Sustainable Development
 - Minister of National Territory Planning, Land Planning, Housing and City Policy.
 - Minister of Digital Transition

KEYNOTE SEGMENT

10:00 – 10:10 : Networking Break + Minister Media Bytes & Event Tour

10:10 – 10:20 : **Keynote 1 –**

Topic to be proposed by the Office of Mr. Abdelfetah Sahibi:

- Mr. Abdelfetah Sahibi, Secretary General, Ministry of Equipment and Water, Morocco

10:20 – 10:30 : **Keynote 2 –**

Vision for Climate Leadership and Regional Cooperation

- Dr. Abdulla Al Mandous, President of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) & Director General, NCM UAE

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Keynote 3 –

To be delivered by a Gold Sponsor Representative

- Speaker & topic to be confirmed

10:40 – 10:50

Keynote 4 –

To be delivered by a Gold Sponsor Representative

- Speaker & topic to be confirmed

10:50-11:00 :

Keynote 5 –

Adaptation of African Agriculture Initiative Foundation

11:00-11:10 :

Keynote 6 –

African Ministerial Conference on Meteorology

11:10-11:20 :

Keynote 7 –

Badan Meteorologi, Klimatologi, dan Geofisika

(Meteorological, Climatological, and Geophysical Agency of Indonesia)

STRATEGIC PANELS

11:20 – 12:00 :

Panel 1 – Early Warning for All: A Continental Vision and Partnerships

- This panel will explore continental strategies to strengthen multi-hazard early warning systems in Africa, aligned with the “Early Warnings For All” initiative. It will showcase how political leadership, regional cooperation, and institutional innovation can accelerate progress.

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 - African Union Commission
 - World Meteorological Organization - Regional Office for Africa
 - United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction - Regional Office for Arab States
 - Permanent Representative of Egypt with WMO
 - African Centre of Meteorological Applications for Development
 - Kenya Meteorological Department
 - South African Weather Service (SAWS)

12:00 – 12:40 : Panel 2 – Wired for Warnings: Scaling AI, Satellites & IoT for Climate Action

- This session will highlight cutting-edge innovations in artificial intelligence, satellite data, earth observation, and IoT to strengthen early warning systems and climate-informed decision-making. It will address issues of data access, analytics, and co-production of services.
- Invited Panel Members:
 - AccuWeather
 - World Meteorological Organization, Director of Infrastructure
 - EUMETSAT
 - Copernicus
 - Ministry of Digital Transition
 - Green Climate Fund (GCF), Climate Risk and Early Warning Systems Initiative

12:40 – 13:40 : Lunch & Networking + Visit to the Innovation Zone

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AFTERNOON SESSION

- 13:40-14:00 :** **Climate Tech in Action: Spotlight on African Solutions**
- 3-5 African startups or institutions showcase tools/platforms in 5-min demos.
- 14:00 – 14:40** **Special Panel – Bridging Science, Policy and Operations: Towards Impact-Based Climate Services in Africa**
- This high-level panel will examine how to bridge the gap between scientific research, national policy, and field-level operations to design and deliver impact-based climate services tailored to African needs. The discussion will focus on co-production, knowledge translation, and operational models.
 - Invited Panel Members:
 - Deutscher Wetterdienst (German Meteorological Service)
 - Nigerian Meteorological Agency
 - United Nations Development Programme
 - Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (German Agency for International Cooperation)
 - NGOs working on climate adaptation and risk communication
- 14:40 – 15:20 :** **Panel 3 – Building Sectoral Resilience through Climate Data and Services**
- Focusing on cross-sectoral collaboration, this panel will explore how climate information can support systemic resilience in critical sectors, particularly in rural and vulnerable areas.

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 - National Ministry of Agriculture (on climate-smart agriculture)
 - African Water Facility Global Water Partnership
 - World Health Organization Africa
 - MASEN
 - CropWatch Global Agricultural Monitoring System
 - Joint Research Centre - Monitoring Agricultural Resources (MARS) Programme

15:20 – 16:00 : **Panel 4 – Finance & Policy: Unlocking Investment for Local Climate Innovation**

- This panel will examine how public and private investments can support locally led innovation, while addressing the policy and institutional frameworks needed to unlock resources and scale promising solutions.
- Invited Panel Members:
 - Agence Française de Développement (French Development Agency)
 - African Development Bank (AfDB)
 - Systematic Observations Financing Facility (SOFF)
 - World Bank
 - AAA Initiative Foundation

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Panel 5 – Youth Innovation in Action: Award Ceremony & Pathways to Scale

- This energizing final panel will bring together the three winners of the ClimAfrica Forum - Skylabs Edition Competition with leading youth voices and support networks to discuss their journeys, solutions, and the support systems needed to scale youth-led impact
- Activities:
 - Announcement of the 3 Skylabs Competition Winners
 - Reflections and dialogue with youth incubators and partners
 - Award handover and closing statements

16:15 – 16:45 :

Closing Ceremony –

Call to Action for Africa's Early Warning Future

- A forward-looking keynote delivered by a youth leader or continental policy figure (e.g., AU Climate Envoy, WMO Regional Director), offering a call to action to build a safer, climate-resilient Africa through early warning and innovation.