CONCEPT NOTE:

ECCAS Mission in Madrid, Spain
(03 - 14 December 2019) (Under Result 2 of the EU-ACP Programme to Build Resilience to Disaster in countries and Communities in the Sub Saharan Africa)

Background

The 25th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP25) to the UN Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) will take place in Madrid, Spain, from 3-14 December 2019. COP 25 is expected to work out and adopt a package of decisions to ensure the full implementation of the Paris Agreement, as well as include the Facilitative Dialogue intended to support the implementation the national commitments undertaken in COP21.

The CoP-25 gave the opportunity to the ECCAS Delegation among others to guide Central Africa negotiators in regional morning meetings and highlight vulnerability to climate change and its consequences to the economy and population livelihood, as one of the main concern in the region, to have informal discussions with key partners, to attend special events on DRR and CCA and understand the usefulness of networking experts, research groups, reflection groups and strengthening initiatives high-level capacities to address vulnerabilities. Basically, it provided to the ECCAS Delegates with new knowledge and new contacts for DRR strengthening, cooperation, coordination and planning, increased the awareness on DRR with Central Africa Climate Change community, and build new partnerships.

Goals of the Mission: Participate at the 25th Conference of the Parties (CoP-25) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC): 02 - 14/12/2019;

Objectives: At CoP-25 UNFCCC

- Reinforce the ECCAS Secretariat General leadership to strengthening weather, water and climate services in their regional public good function in support of climate risk management and climate change adaptation;
- Contribution in full implementation of the Paris and also Warsaw Mechanism on Loss Damage;
- Exchange knowledge, information and ideas and stock-taking of progress made in climate service with other stakeholders;
- Raise awareness among Central Africa stakeholders about the benefits of investments in weather, water and climate services and early warning systems.
- Mobilise more partnership for DRM & CCA in Central Africa and strengthen the partnership for the implementation of climate resilience activities
- Discuss on partnership project development on DRM and Climate Change.
- Projected and determined national contributions (NDCs) in terms of support to ECCAS member states (Mitigations des Impacts)
- Showcase ECCAS achievements in the field of DRM, including the reduction of loss and damage related to climate change.
**Outcomes expected:**

1. Central Africa actor understanding of the need for scaling up support for climate services increased;
2. The ECCAS SG leadership on Hydro meteorological initiatives is reinforced;
3. More knowledge, information and ideas acquired in climate services with other stakeholders;
4. More partnership are mobilised for DRM & CCA in Central Africa;

**Delegation:** Mr Dominique KUITSOUC, ECCAS DRM/CCA Regional Programmes Coordinator, will represent the ECCAS Secretariat General for all these activities; accompanied by Mr Semingar NGARYAMNGAYE, Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) Specialist, ECCAS Secretariat General, Celine KEUBOU, Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) Specialist junior, Honourable Adonis MOUDOUMA, REPARC President and Honourable Roger Louis ESSOLA, REPARC facilitator.

**Logistics:**

- Pamphlets and strategic, political and operational documents of ECCAS in the four languages of ECCAS.

**Budget:** DSA (Arrival in Madrid, Spain: 02/12/2019, Returning date: 14/12/2019), Accommodation in Madrid, Spain, Air tickets Libreville – Madrid and Madrid - Libreville, land transports, communication & unforeseen.

The details of the budget for participant funding are annexed.