A few thoughts on CS4RRA - Focus on Financing

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1. This conference is a stocktaking

- To drive action.
- For WASCAL, Post-WRAP2.0. An example of success in the collaboration of multi-institutions.



2. CS4RRA - set for take-off

- From the webinars, the focus of the CS4RRA and timelines for calls seem largely defined.
- Action research, and practical climate services, are critically based by past experiences.
- ▶ Is understood to come from two countries Germany and France. Possibly the EU.
- ▶ Perception of the need to encourage African funders.
- Could also consider larger challenges of development in Africa such as youth unemployment, promoting startups, innovation and entrepreneurship, stimulating domestic production,



3. Future funding opportunities?

- ► This is desirable to, among other reasons, enhance ownership.
- ▶ Relevant for co-production of innovation and provision of services.
- ► Could help with respect to diversity of funding intra-Africa, and even intra-West Africa.



4. Where are these other sources of funding?

- A matter for an advisory board (mobilization of financial resources, donors in Africa, Europe, and possibly elsewhere)
- International funding opportunities under the UNFCCC.
- Involving African funding agencies (AU seems to be on the radar. AfDB, IFAD, etc. could be looked at).
- ► Could each country be encouraged to make financial inputs? Just a question.



SWOT of CS4RRA

- Strength
- 1. Experiences in Multinational / multiagency work

- Opportunity
- 1. Global commitment for funding exist

- Weakness
- 1. Draws from existing funding stock

- Threat
- 1. Global funder preference outside West Africa

Thank you