



**UK DEPARTMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**  
***SUPPORTING AFRICAN PARTICIPATION IN THE ICID 2010 CONFERENCE***

**Call for Applicants**

The Second International Conference on Climate, Sustainability and Sustainable Development in semi-arid regions (ICID 2010) will be held from 16-20 August 2010, at the Convention Center of Ceará in Fortaleza in Brazil ([www.icid18.org](http://www.icid18.org)).

The conference will bring together governments, civil society and experts to assess and articulate the needs and opportunities of the semi-arid regions of the world. Organized around four themes, ICID 2010 will generate, consolidate and synthesize the knowledge of climate change, vulnerability, impacts, adaptive responses of society and sustainable development in arid and semi-arid lands, translating this knowledge into effective public policy recommendations and agendas for research directed in support of improved policy making and implementation.

Thematic areas are:

**Climate Information**

- Information on climate variability and climate change and environmental concerns in regional and local—forecast and scenarios

**Climate and Sustainable Development**

- Human security, vulnerability reduction, welfare and development—modeling, measuring and addressing vulnerability, impacts and adaptation.

**Climate and Governance: Representation, Rights, Equity and Justice**

- Representation, rights, equity and justice in the face of climate variability and change—monitoring and improving governance patterns in arid and semi-arid lands.

**Climate Policy Processes**

- Public policy process—formulation, implementation, monitoring and performance of public policies for adaptation and sustainable development. Lessons from Experiences.

The UK Department for International Development (DFID) is keen to encourage participation in ICID 2010 from researchers and policy makers from Southern, Eastern and Western Africa. A limited number of contributors from Africa will be funded by DFID to attend the conference in Brazil and these will be selected through a competitive process. DewPoint, DFID's Resource Centre for Water, Sanitation and Environment has been commissioned by DFID to promote and manage the selection process and provide support to DFID-sponsored attendees from Africa.

Those invited to apply are:

- Researchers working in an area relevant to the conference topic, both young and upcoming scientists, as well as those with an established track record;
- Policy makers and implementers from government, civil society and non-governmental organisations involved in areas relevant to the conference topic.

There will be a two stage selection process:

1. Shortlisting based on completion of a short application form;
2. Final selection from shortlisted applicants attending pre-conference events in each region during early 2010.

The best and most relevant contributions might include sharing significant understanding of policy development and implementation, as well as well researched understanding related to any of the key areas of the conference. **We advise all applicants to visit the ICID 2010 website ([www.icid18.org](http://www.icid18.org)) to ensure that their application is relevant to the aims and themes of the conference.**

Those selected to attend the ICID 2010 conference will be provided with mentoring and support to generate materials, presentations and studies to contribute to the various thematic areas of the conference. Financial assistance will be provided in the form of economy class return flights and a modest subsistence/accommodation allowance to attend the six day conference in Fortaleza, Brazil.

Interested applicants are invited to complete and submit the attached Application Form together with their most recent CV to the relevant regional contact below. All applications should be made by e-mail. Regional contacts listed are also able to answer any queries relating to this process.

**Eastern Africa** (Ethiopia, Eritrea, Kenya, Sudan, Tanzania): RACHEL SHIBALIRA [r.shibalira@nrint.org]

**Southern Africa** (Angola, Botswana, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia, Zimbabwe): JILL KENT [jkent@harewelle.org]

**Francophone West Africa** (Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Niger, Senegal): SABINE DISSIRAMA ATTAMA [dissattama@yahoo.fr]

**Anglophone West Africa** (Ghana (northern), Nigeria (northern)): LUCY NICKOLL, NR International U.K., [l.nickoll@nrint.co.uk]

### **Closing date for applications:**

The closing date for applications is **18.4.2010**. Any submissions received after this date will not be considered.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE:  
CLIMATE, SUSTAINABILITY AND DEVELOPMENT  
IN SEMI-ARID REGIONS



CONFERÊNCIA INTERNACIONAL:  
CLIMA, SUSTENTABILIDADE E DESENVOLVIMENTO  
EM REGIÕES SEMIÁRIDAS

**ICID+18**  
Fortaleza, Ceará  
BRAZIL BRASIL

(Please note that Applications should not be sent directly to the ICID 2010 conference organisers)

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**Application form (to be completed in English)**

<b>Full Name:</b>	
<b>Contact details</b> (email, postal address, telephone):	
<b>Discipline:</b>	
<b>Position:</b>	
<b>Organisation:</b> (name and web address):	
<b>Conference Theme with which your contribution is best associated (maximum 50 words):</b>	
<b>Describe your proposed contribution to ICID 2010 Conference indicating whether you would be presenting a paper, poster or contributing to a panel or round table discussion. Please highlight relevant experience in the field and the issues you feel are most important (maximum 500 words):</b>	
<b>Applicants proposing to present papers and posters should provide an abstract of their proposed submission which will be evaluated as part of the selection process. Abstracts should identify the theme or themes for the work for which they will answer, the case(s) or problem(s) addressed and the central findings of the study. (maximum 150 words):</b>	

Please attach your *Curriculum vitae* (maximum 2 pages plus most relevant publications and 2 referees).