

(Caribbean) Regional Climate Outlook Forum
Cave Hill, Barbados, June 21-23, 2010

Lisa Goddard in attendance

motivated by CIMH, CCCCC

meeting highlights relevant to IASCLIP, from Lisa's notes:

focus on process (no forecast)

discussion of hurricanes, regional downscaling

better understanding of ENSO regional, sub-
seasonal impacts

coastal issues inc. coral reefs

recent activity:

- *from Art Douglas:*

travel to Colombia, Dominican Republic MET services w/ Mike Douglas; positive response; hope to join North American Drought Monitor w/ help from NCDC, with datasets 'in good order' to start monitoring in 2 years

- IASCLIP Forecast Forum proposal, modeled on NAME FF

- sessions at spring AGU (Brazil);

- fall NOAA Climate Diagnostics Workshop (hopefully)

US CLIVAR perspective:

US CLIVAR reviewed IASCLIP, did not endorse

=> *NOAA only US agency currently providing support*

- did not perceive well-focused science objectives,
- need a shorter, more focused white paper
- ideas for extended monitoring in place but lack scientific justification and cost-benefit analysis
- follow up on NAME science legacy questions
- encourage more connection to hurricane issues

how to build up IASCLIP ?

currently US CLIVAR seeking new working group proposals
involvement in 'hurricanes and sensitivity to SST'
proposed US CLIVAR WG? (e.g., Frank Marks)

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most active Caribbean/S.Am partners: CIMH,
CCCC? Colombia? support RCOF?