

International Workshop On the Low-Frequency Modulation of ENSO

23-25 September 2003

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Observatoire Midi-Pyrénées (OMP)
14 avenue Edouard Belin
Toulouse, France

Motivation:

This workshop is an opportunity to bring together international scientists working on the physics of low-frequency modulation of ENSO. While European scientists are strongly encouraged to participate, the overall attendance is limited to 50 participants.

Objectives:

The workshop will focus on the recent progress in measuring, modeling, analyzing and understanding the low-frequency modulation of ENSO. This covers decadal to interdecadal time-scales and possible anthropogenic changes. The workshop should bring together an equal number of observationalists and modelers. As such, the discussions will be centered on the best way to use direct observations (in situ and satellite data) and proxies (e.g., coral data) in conjunction with modeling activities (forced and coupled).

Organization:

The first part of this workshop will be devoted to invited overviews and to contributed talks on latest results from coupled and forced modeling and data analyses. The second part will consist of ad-hoc working groups, which will present their reports in a final plenary session.

Scientific Organizing Committee:

Joel Picaut, IRD/LEGOS, Toulouse (chairman)
Jean-Philippe Boulanger, CNRS/LODYC, Paris
Thierry Delcroix, IRD/LEGOS, Toulouse
Alex Ganachaud, IRD/LEGOS, Noumea, New Caledonia
Matthieu Lengaigne, UPMC/LODYC, Paris
Yves Tourre, MEDIAS-France, Toulouse

General information:

Language: The working language will be English

Attendance: Any person interested in this workshop should contact the chairman (Joel.Picaut@cnes.fr), as soon as possible but **no later than June 1, 2003**. Those who would like to present their recent results on the low-frequency modulation of ENSO must send a title as soon as possible and their abstract before the deadline. Presentation will be oral. If the number of submitted and accepted papers is too important, a poster session will be added to the workshop.

Logistics: details about housing and transportation in Toulouse will be provided in another announcement.

Registration fees: none

Funding: Limited funding for travel is available for keynote speakers.

Keynote speakers:

Matthew Collins (England)
Thierry Correge (France/New Caledonia)
Alexey Fedorov (USA)
Georg Hoffmann (Germany/France)
Mojib Latif (Germany)
Julian McCreary (USA)
Vikram Mehta (USA)
Luc Ortlieb (France)
Niklas Schneider (USA)
Axel Timmermann (Germany)
Yves Tourre (France)