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AGRHYMET CCR-AOS signs strategic Partnership Agreements in Mali to strengthen climate resilience

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AGRHYMET Regional Climate Center for West Africa and the Sahel (AGRHYMET RCC-WAS) reaffirms its regional leadership and commitment to fully fulfilling its mission by strengthening regional cooperation on climate issues through high-level missions in countries in the subregion. After Togo, it is Mali's turn to host, from November 3 to 7, 2025, the high-level mission for strategic technical exchanges and the signing of partnership agreements on capacity building and the sharing of data, tools, and methods with the National Meteorological Agency (MALI-METEO) and the National Directorate of Hydraulics (NDH). This high-level mission resulted in the signing of Partnership Agreements between these two national institutions and AGRHYMET RCC-WAS.

The mission, led by the Director General of the Sahel Institute (INSAH), Dr. Hubert N'DJAFI OUAGA, representing the Director General of AGRHYMET RCC-WAS, Dr. Issoufou BAOUA, and the Director General of Mali-Météo, Ms. Tandia Fanta TRAORE, and including a representative of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), was received by the Malian Minister of Transport and Infrastructure, H.E. Ms. Madina Sissoko Dembélé, who emphasized the Malian government's commitment to supporting and actively participating in the efforts of countries in the sub-region in terms of climate resilience, through the Permanent Inter-State Committee for Drought Control in the Sahel (CILSS) and its specialized institutions (AGRHYMET RCC-WAS based in Niamey, Niger, and INSAH based in Bamako, Mali).

The Minister of Transport and Infrastructure of the Republic of Mali reaffirmed Mali's continued collaboration, stating: *"Mali is ready to work hand in hand with AGRHYMET RCC-WAS to strengthen climate resilience. These agreements mark a new chapter in our partnership, enabling our national services to be better equipped to anticipate and respond to the impacts of climate change."*

The Director General of INSAH emphasized: *"This mission reflects our shared commitment to establishing resilient climate services in West Africa and the Sahel. The Partnership Agreements signed with MALI-METEO and the NDH will strengthen data sharing, improve forecasting, and enhance our collective capacity to respond to climate risks."*

After very constructive, strategic, and fruitful discussions, Her Excellency the Minister agreed to take a group photo with the AGRHYMET RCC-WAS/WMO delegation and her Malian hosts. This decisive step embodies the spirit of a strong partnership based on collective responsibility to address climate challenges in West Africa and the Sahel.

Supported by Component 1 of the Food System Resilience Program (FSRP) funded by the World Bank, the mission focused on aligning the climate and hydrological services of Mali-Météo and the NDH du Mail

with the RCC-WAS framework (AGRHYMET RCC-WAS), identifying technical gaps to be filled, and promoting best practices in forecasting and early warning systems for reducing climate and hydrological risks and their impacts.

This important step of Mali is part of the regional initiative taken by AGRHYMET RCC-WAS to consolidate its designation as a Regional Climate Center by the WMO and to promote better climate adaptation and harmonious and sustainable development in West Africa and the Sahel.



