

Winter School, Cape Town 2009, Using climate information for adaptation and policy development

Expression of interest

To date I do not have real hands-on experience in the field of climate change, having only recently joined the Climate Change and BioAdaptation Division at SANBI, however my new role will require me to develop in-depth understanding of climate change issues in South Africa, in order to ably assist team members in their work, and to communicate effectively on the Division's activities.

As a member of the Project Implementation Team for preparing South Africa's Second National Communication on Climate Change to the UNFCCC, I will be assisting Drs Guy Midgley, Brian Mantlana, Brian van Wilgen, and Minnelise Levendal with producing the report over the next eighteen months, and the topics to be covered in the course will benefit me greatly in my task.

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