

On-Going Processes as the Outcome of the LWCVC (WMO Conference on Living with Climate Variability and Change: Understanding the uncertainties and managing the risks)

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The WMO Conference on Living with Climate Variability and Change: Understanding the uncertainties and managing the risks (LWCVC) will be held in Espoo, Finland on 17 - 21 July 2006. The focus of the LWCVC is to enhance the cooperation between the climate information suppliers and users to support the management in its decision making by assessing the total risk and the risks for climate as a part of it. The sectors to be covered are 1) decision making research, 2) disasters and early warning, 3) agriculture and food security, 4) human health and disease control, 5) water resources, and 6) energy and built environment. One important outcome of the LWCVC are the on-going processes including the guidance of the best practices to be used in this context.

The LWCVC will give guidelines for the design of the on-going processes in the various sectors and recommendations on the follow-up of these processes in global surroundings. This concept should be seen as an important distinct amendment to the work of the IPCC and will focus on how climate services can serve the society in different management issues where climate plays its role which may not always be even the dominant one.