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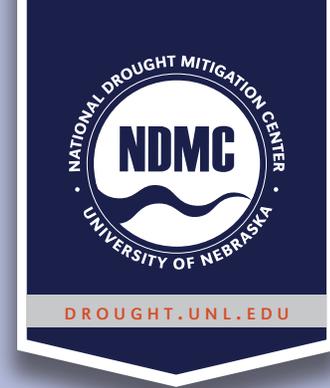
The National Drought Mitigation Center faculty and staff have worked with national and international organizations and countries around the world, providing a variety of services. The map shows where the drought center has collaborated on research, facilitated drought planning, shared technical knowledge, or provided programmatic advice.

Dark blue indicates countries where we worked in 2017, and the lighter blue indicates countries where we worked in the past. Orange circles highlight our top international projects for the year; please see the back for descriptions.



WHAT DOES OUR OUTREACH LOOK LIKE?

NDMC representatives provide a variety of services, including planning, research, outreach and capacity building. Often, our international work means we present what we know; other times we act as a consultant, passing on knowledge or providing the technical training needed for a country to plan for and mitigate drought on their own. Here's a taste of what we did in 2017.*



1 Tropical Ag Conference and University of South Queensland Visit

Location: Brisbane, Australia

NDMC's Mark Svoboda consulted with livestock producers at the University of South Queensland while in Brisbane, and spoke at the TropAg 2017 Conference there.

2 Seasonal Prediction of Hydro-Climatic Extremes for the Greater Horn of Africa

Location: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

NDMC and partners – NASA, Addis Ababa University, and Ethiopia's Meteorological Society and National Meteorological Agency – presented a workshop for many agencies and organizations on predicting and managing climate extremes.

3 Integrated Drought Management Program Advisory Committee Meeting

Location: Geneva, Switzerland

Svoboda served on the advisory committee of the World Meteorological Organization's Integrated Drought Management Program, run by the WMO and the Global Water Partnership.

4 Latin American and Caribbean Regional Conference on Drought Management and Preparedness

Location: Santa Cruze de la Sierra, Bolivia

Svoboda gave the keynote presentation at the Latin American and Caribbean Regional Conference on Drought Management and Preparedness. The conference was co-hosted by the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, and the Bolivian government.

5 International Conference on Agro-meteorology

Location: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

NDMC's Tsegaye Tadesse, climatologist and remote sensing expert, was the keynote speaker and a panelist at "Climate Information for Climate Resilient Agriculture: Enhancing Agro-meteorological Advisory Services to Build Climate Resilience for Smallholder Farmers in Ethiopia."

6 Belmont NSF Final Meeting

Location: Freiburg, Germany

NDMC representatives were part of the DrIVER project, collaborating with researchers from Germany, Australia and the United Kingdom, to learn about the connections between drought, vulnerability thresholds, and impacts.

7 Dubai Drought Vulnerability Assessments Training Workshop

Location: Dubai, United Arab Emirates

NDMC and International Center for Biosaline Agriculture representatives conducted a workshop in Dubai to train experts from many countries in the region to conduct drought vulnerability assessments, part of a project funded by the USAID.

8 CIMH Caribbean Workshops

Location: Saint Kitts, Antigua, Grenada, Saint Lucia

NDMC representatives traveled to four islands to conduct writeshops with the Caribbean Institute of Meteorology and Hydrology to improve resilience to drought.

9 Borlaug Fellowship Mentor Travel

Location: Dare es Sallam, United Republic of Tanzania

Tadesse mentored a visitor as part of the Borlaug Fellowship Program and traveled to Tanzania to establish collaboration with other African countries.

10 Tunis, Tunisia, Meeting 2017

Location: Tunis, Tunisia

NDMC information technology and geographic information system experts led a hands-on capacity building workshop with their Tunisian counterparts to train them on a new operational drought early warning system and drought indicator built specifically for the country.

**See map on reverse.*

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