1, Organizer

National Institute for Environmental Studies, Japan,

2. Title

Responding to the adaptation challenges: an interactive session for mobilization of adaptation research and partner engagement

3. Theme

A major challenge of the research community is to provide relevant information to policymakers on vulnerability, impacts and adaptation in the context of changing climate. PROVIA has developed a set of Research Priorities for the global VIA community.

For the next step, the event will be an interactive consultation session on how to initiate a process to facilitate research community to engage in developing research projects from the identified research priorities and implementing them.

- 4. Agenda and speakers
- 1. Opening Remarks (Dr. Saleemul HUQ(IISD))
- 2. A brief overview of current and future PROVIA activities (Dr. Saleemul HUQ(IISD))
- 3. An overview of the research project "Comprehensive Research on Climate Change Impact Assessment and Adaptation Policies" (Dr. Izumi KUBOTA (NIES))
- 4. PROVIA research priorities in Vulnerability, Impacts and Adaptation: next step (Ms Balgis Elasha (African Development Bank)
- 5. Panel discussion: How PROVIA can best serve its stakeholders
- 6. Closing remark (Dr. Saleemul HUQ(IISD))

5. Outline of presentations and discussions

At the event, various activities, such as the creation of a list of research priorities aimed at the community of researchers who will bear the responsibility for the evaluations of impacts and vulnerabilities were introduced by PROVIA. Subsequently, the ways in which the "Comprehensive Research on Climate Change Impact Assessment and Adaptation Policies," implemented under the Environment Research and Technology Development Fund of the Ministry of the Environment, Japan is contributing to adaptation policies on national and local levels were introduced.

This was followed by an interactive discussion between participants and panelists on how to mobilize research on vulnerabilities, impacts and adaptation to contribute to the policy-making process, as well as possible issues and how these might be overcome.

