

**Delali Dovie biography:**

Delali Dovie holds a PhD from the University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa, where he is presently an Honorary Research Fellow. He is also a Research Associate of the Ecological Laboratory of the University of Ghana, in Ghana. He has trained further at the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA) in Laxenburg (Austria). Specialising in savanna ecosystems research, Dr Dovie has interests in plant ecology, plant resource use, biodiversity conservation and global environment change issues. In his home country Ghana, he is the National Coordinator of Ghana's Water Resources Commission's Climate Change and Variability Project. His cross-cutting research puts him at the science – policy interface. He is a Fellow of the SysTem for Analysis, Research and Training (START - USA) of the International Global Climate Change Community. He has published widely in internationally accredited journals. He is the current President of the SCB Africa Governing Section, and co-chaired the first Regional Meeting of the Africa Section in 2009 in Ghana and has been an instrumental referee for this meeting in Arusha.