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عدد المرفقات: 3 (متوافرة بالإنكليزية فقط)

الدورة السابعة للمؤتمر الإقليمي بشأن إدارة المرافق الوطنية للأرصاد الجوية والهيدرولوجيا (RECO-7) في الاتحاد الإقليمي الثاني (آسيا)، أبو ظبي، الإمارات العربية المتحدة، 10-11 شباط/

الموضوع:

فبراير 2017

الإجراء المطلوب: استيفاء استمارة الترشيح وإعادتها إلى أمانة المنظمة (WMO) في موعد غايته 4 كاثون الثاني الإجراء المطلوب: يناير 2017 على الأفضل

تحية طيبة وبعد،

يسرني أن أبلغكم أنه بناءً على دعوة كريمة من حكومة الإمارات العربية المتحدة، ستُعقد الدورة السابعة للمؤتمر الإقليمي بشأن إدارة المرافق الوطنية للأرصاد الجوية والهيدرولوجيا في الاتحاد الإقليمي الثاني (آسيا) في أبو ظبي، الإمارات العربية المتحدة، في يومي 10-11 شباط/ فبراير 2017، قبل انعقاد الدورة السادسة عشرة للاتحاد الإقليمي الثاني (16-11) التي ستُعقد في الفترة من 12 إلى 16 شباط/ فبراير 2017.

والغرض من هذا المؤتمر الإقليمي هو إتاحة منتدى لمديري وكبار مسؤولي المرافق الوطنية للأرصاد الجوية والهيدرولوجيا (NMHSs) بهدف تناول القضايا والتحديات الناشئة، وتعزيز التعاون الإقليمي وتحسين الشراكات من أجل تنفيذ أولويات المنظمة (WMO) والأولويات الإقليمية. وسيركز المؤتمر بصفة خاصة على تحسين المهارات الإدارية لمديري وكبار مسؤولي المرافق الوطنية (NMHSs) وتحسين وتطوير الخطط الاستراتيجية الوطنية على النحو الوارد في المرفق الأول – المذكرة المفاهيمية. وسيوضع البرنامج المشروح المؤقت للمؤتمر وخطة عمل المؤتمر على الموقع الشبكي للمنظمة (WMO): -http://public.wmo.int/en/events/meetings/seventh-regional-conference. وستجري أعمال المؤتمر باللغة الإنكليزية.

ونظراً إلى الموارد المحدودة المخصصة لتنظيم هذا المؤتمر، يؤمل أن تتحمل حكومتكم النفقات المرتبطة بمشاركة مرشحها (مرشحيها). ولكن إذا تعذر هذا الأمر، فإن المنظمة (WMO) مستعدة للنظر، في حدود الأموال المتوافرة المحدودة، في إمكانية تغطية تكلفة السفر و/ أو مخصصات المعيشة اليومية خلال فترة المؤتمر لمشارك واحد من مرفقكم بشرط أن يحضر المشارك أيضاً فعاليات الدورة السادسة عشرة للاتحاد الإقليمي الثاني. وستمنح المنظمة (WMO) الأولوية في تقديم المساعدة المالية للمشاركين من أقل البلدان نمواً.

وتجدر الإشارة إلى ما يلي: "بالنسبة للأشخاص غير العاملين في المنظمة، ولكن أُذن لهم بالسفر على نفقة المنظمة و/ أو يتقاضون منها بدل إقامة يومياً، تقبل المنظمة أن تتحمل مسؤولية محدودة عن التعويضات في حالة الوفاة أو المرض أو الإصابة نتيجة لحضور الاجتماعات أو أداء خدمات نيابة عن المنظمة. وعليه، يبقى هؤلاء الأشخاص

مسؤولين كلياً عن أي مصاريف مرتبطة بأحداث لا يمكن عزوها إلى حضور الاجتماعات أو أداء خدمات نيابة عن المنظمة، ومسؤولين عن اتخاذ الترتيبات اللازمة للتأمين على الحياة والصحة وغير ذلك من أشكال التأمين حسبما يرونه مناسباً."

ولذا، يُرجى إعادة استمارة الترشيح المرفقة (المرفق الثاني) بعد استيفائها على النحو الواجب إلى أمانة المنظمة (WMO) وإبلاغها بقراركم في أقرب وقت ممكن، ويُفضل ألا يتجاوز ذلك 4 كانون الثاني/ يناير 2017.

ووفقاً لسياسة المنظمة بشأن المساواة بين الجنسين (القرار 59 (17-Cg)) التي تهدف إلى بلوغ مشاركة النساء نسبة 30 في المائة على الأقل في الهيئات التأسيسية التابعة للمنظمة (WMO) وهياكلها العاملة، أود أن أشجعكم على تسمية مرشحات إناث.

ويتضمن المرفق الثالث مذكرة إعلامية للمشاركين. ويوصى بشدة بإجراء حجوزات الفنادق في أقرب وقت ممكن.

وإنني لأتطلع إلى مشاركة مرفقكم في هذا المؤتمر الهام.

وتفضلوا بقبول فائق الاحترام،

(و. تشانغ) عن الأمين العام

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DRA-AP/RA II RECO-7, ANNEX I

Seventh Regional Conference on Management of Meteorological and Hydrological Services (RECO-7) in Regional Association II 10-11 February 2017, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (UAE)

CONCEPT NOTE

1. BACKGROUND

The Regional Conference on Management of National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs) in Regional Association II (Asia) (RA II RECO) is organized once during each WMO financial period. RA II RECO brings together Directors and/or senior officials of NMHSs in RA II with an ultimate aim to discuss emerging issues and challenges on regional cooperation and capacity development.

The Seventh Regional Conference in RA II (RA II RECO-7) will be held in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, from 10 to 11 February 2017 in conjunction with the sixteenth session of Regional Association II (RA II-16) from 12 to 16 February 2017.

2. OBJECTIVES

The specific objectives of the RA II RECO-7 are:

- (a) To identify and address the emerging issues and challenges, strengthen regional cooperation and enhance partnerships for implementation of WMO and Regional priorities
- (b) To enhance the management skills of Directors and senior managers of NMHSs and improve and develop National Strategic Plans

In order to achieve the specific objectives, the provisional programme is organized in the following sessions:

- (a) Session 1: Reports of WGs and Pilot Projects
- (b) Session 2: Global and Regional Partnerships for Implementation of WMO and Regional priorities
 - Global and Regional Partnerships
 - Challenges and Successes on the Strategic Implementation of WMO and Regional priorities
- (c) Session 3: Entrepreneurial Skills in the Management of NMHSs
 - Sharing national experience in the management of NMHSs
 - Public-Private Partnership
 - Improving and developing National Strategic Plans
 - Enhancing the management skills of senior managers of NMHSs in the context of societal needs

3. EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Expected outcomes are the recommendations on the private sector engagement and the strategy on the enhancement of the visibility and relevance of NMHSs including the improvement of resource mobilization and capacity development of NMHSs through regional cooperation and partnership with an ultimate goal to contribute to better weather, climate and water services and sustainable development in the Region.

4. EXPECTED PARTICIPANTS

Expected participants include Directors and/or senior officials from NMHSs or equivalent national institutions in Region II and chairpersons of RA II Working Groups (WGs), Expert Groups (EGs) and Implementation Coordination Teams (ICTs). The president, the vice president and the WGs/EGs/ICTs chairpersons are expected to facilitate the sessions of RA II RECO-7.

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PARTICIPATION NOMINATION FORM

1.	Country:					
2.	Service or Organization:					
3.	Nominee:					
	Surname (Dr/Mr/Ms):					
	First name:					
	Address:					
	Telephone:					
	Telefax:					
	E-mail:					
4.	Proposed title of the presentation, if applicable					
	under:	Session 1	Session (See Concep		ssion 3	
 If financial assistance is required, please indicate whether for: 						
	Travel: Yes] No	Per diem:	☐ Yes	☐ No	
6.	Please indicate whether you are attending the sixteenth session of RA II: Yes No					
	Date:		Permanent Re	epresentative	's signature:	

To be returned not later than <u>9 December 2016</u> to:

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Seventh Regional Conference on Management of Meteorological and Hydrological Services (RECO-7)in Regional Association II 10-11 February 2017, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (UAE)

INFORMATION NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS

Venue and duration of the Conference

The seventh Regional Conference will be held at the Dusit Thani Hotel in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates from 10 to 11 February 2017. The Conference will start at 09h00 on 10 February 2017.

Registration of participants

Registration for the Conference will take place at the registration desk in the venue from 08h30 on 10 February 2017. Participants will receive identification badges at the time of registration.

Language

The Conference will be conducted in English.

Computer facilities & Power Supply

The meeting room will be equipped with Wi-Fi access. Additionally, an Internet corner will be also provided to participants. Power voltage in UAE is 220 V, frequency 50 Hz, and G socket type.



Entry requirements

Participants requiring entry visa to the United Arab Emirates should apply directly to the nearest embassy or consulate of the United Arab Emirates. A letter of invitation from the host is provided in **Appendix B**. Holders of Diplomatic, Service, Official or specified passports from some countries **may not** require a visa by virtue of bilateral agreements, **nonetheless** they are encouraged to check with the nearest embassy or consulate of UAE before departure. Detailed information on immigration is available on the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the United Arab Emirates webpage: http://www.mofa.gov.ae/EN/ConsularServices/Pages/ServicesList.aspx

The Local Organizing Committee of the host country can provide participants with individual letters of Invitation upon request.

For countries that have no embassy or consulate of the United Arab Emirates, the host can apply for an entry visa on behalf of participants upon the provision of the following: a scanned copy of the information page of a valid passport, a coloured passport-type personal photograph against a white background and a complete Visa Application Form (**Appendix B**). Important notes: Applications should be sent at least 3 weeks before expected date of arrival to Abu Dhabi. Passports should be valid for at least 6 months before expected arrival date. Please send applications to Mr Ibrahim Al Hosani IAlhosani@ncms.ae with a copy to Ms Kaltham Mangoosh KMangoosh@ncms.ae.

Arrival and Transport Arrangements

Participants are recommended to arrive at the Abu Dhabi International Airport (AUH) (website: http://www.abudhabiairport.ae/english/), where major airlines operate daily flights as destination. The host will make arrangements to pick up participants from the airport and take them to hotels. Instructions for airport pick-up upon arrival to Abu Dhabi International Airport are provided in **Appendix C**.

Banking

Currency exchange services are available at Abu Dhabi International Airport as well as in all banks (banks are open from 8 am to 5 pm weekdays, while currency exchange services all available every day in shopping centres until 10 pm). The local currency is the UAE **Dirham** (AED). Most businesses, tour operators, airlines and hotels accept major credit cards and American Express traveller's checks. The average exchange rate in AED is as follows:

1 Euro = 4.13 AED 1 US\$ = 3.67 AED 1 CHF = 3.77 AED

Accommodation

A block reservation for participants is made at the Dusit Thani Hotel in Abu Dhabi (website: http://dusit-thani-abu-dhabi.hotel-rn.com). The daily rate for single occupancy in deluxe room is AED **450** net per night inclusive all city taxes, service charges, buffet breakfast, and Wi-Fi internet connection. To make the hotel reservation, please contact reservations.abudhabi@dusit.com as soon as possible.

A list of other hotels with corporate rates is provided in **Appendix A**; Participants should make reservation directly to the provided e-mail addresses and need to use WMO/NCMS meeting as a reference.

Please check in details with Local Coordinator for support and follow up with hotel. This is a peak season in Abu Dhabi, therefore, early hotel booking is highly recommended.

Local climate in February

Climate data during February in Abu Dhabi are listed below:

Mean temperature	19.6 °C		
Mean maximum temperature	25.5 °C		
Mean minimum temperature	14.0 °C		
Mean relative humidity	67 %		
Mean precipitation	0.3 mm		
Mean number of days with precipitation ≥1 mm			
Mean duration of sunshine	9.8 h/day		

<u>Updated weather information can be found on the website of the National Centre of Meteorology & Seismology (http://www.ncms.ae/en).</u>

Information and contact details of the Local Organizing Committee (LOC)

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Appendices: 3 (available in English only)

APPENDIX A:

LIST OF HOTELS

Name of the Hotel	Star Rating	Room Type	Rates per night	Distance from Conference Venue	Website and contact information
Marriott Hotel, Downtown Abu Dhabi	5	Deluxe Single	375 AED	Approx; 6 Km	Phone: +971 2 304 7777 Web: marriottdowntownabudhabi.com meadowntownabudhabi.com
		Deluxe Double	400 AED		Email: aymen.khalifa@marriott.com Mobile: +971 56 5064006
		Deluxe Single (with breakfast)	450 AED		
		Deluxe Double (with breakfast)	525 AED		
Courtyard Marriott, World Trade	4	Deluxe Single	295 AED	Approx; 6.7 Km	Phone: +971 2 698 2222
Center, Abu Dhabi					Web: www.marriott.com PO Box; 107005
		Deluxe Double	295 AED		Email: ahmed.hamdy@courtyard.com
		Deluxe Single (with breakfast)	345 AED		Mobile: +971 56 6834563
		Deluxe Double (with breakfast)	395 AED		
Sheraton	4	Deluxe Single	250 AED	Approx; 7.5 Km	Phone: +971 2 6928622
AlKhalidiya, Abu Dhabi					Web: www.sheratonalkhalidiya.com
		Deluxe Double	250 AED		Email: Christine.firmantes@sheratonalkhali diya.com
		Deluxe Single (with breakfast)	275 AED		Mobile: +971 56 6695412
		Deluxe Double (with breakfast)	300 AED	_	
Kings Gate Hotel, Abu Dhabi	3	Deluxe Single	265 AED	Approx; 6.1 Km	Phone: +971 2 499 5003 PO Box: 48573, Abu Dhabi, United Arab
		Dalinia Davida	275 AED		Emirates Regional Website:
		Deluxe Double	275 AED		www.millenniumhotels.ae
		Deluxe Single (with breakfast)	325 AED		E-mail: reservations.kgad@millenniumhotels.com Mobile: +971 50 233 3186
		Deluxe Double (with breakfast)	335 AED		

APPENDIX B:

VISA APPLICATION FORM

Personal information for entry visa to UAE Please type and send back as soft copy				
1	NAME (first, middle, Family)			
2	(please leave blank)			
3	NATIONALITY			
4	OCCUPATION			
5	GENDER			
6	DATE OF BIRTH			
7	COUNTRY OF BIRTH			
8	PLACE OF BIRTH			
9	(please leave blank)			
10	PASSPORT NUMBER			
11	PASSPORT TYPE			
12	PASSPORT PLACE OF ISSUEANCE			
13	COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE			
14	DESCRIPTION OF OCCUPATION			
15	PASSPORT ISSUUANCE DATE			
16	PASSPORT EXPIRY DATE			
17	RELIGION			
18	FAITH			
19	MARITAL STATUS			
20	PREVIOUS NATIONALITY (if any)			
21	QUALIFICATION			
22	MOTHER'S NAME			
23	(please leave blank)			
24	FIRST LANGUAGE			
25	PERMANENT COUNTRY OF			
	RESIDENCY			
26	MOBILE NUMBER			
27	HOME ADDRESS			
28	EMAIL ADDRESS			

Please provide the following

- 1-Passport copy (colour) of information page (valid for at least for 6 months before date of Entry);
- 2- Colour photograph with white background;
- 3 The above Form duly completed.

Please send applications to Mr Ibrahim Al Hosani <u>IAlhosani@ncms.ae</u> with a copy to Ms Kaltham Mangoosh <u>KMangoosh@ncms.ae</u>.

APPENDIX C: TRANSPORTATION GUIDE

Airport Pick-Up Information Abu Dhabi International Airport

Dear participants,

- 1. After you clear immigration and customs, please proceed to exit. You will use a downward moving escalator towards the guarded gate of the arrival hall. This gate leads to a wide reception area.
- Once you exit this gate, please turn Right (along the seating area) towards a currency exchange office called **TRAVELEX**. At this point you are still **inside** the arrival building.
- 3. Near that TRAVELEX office you will spot a representative of NCMS, holding a WMO sign —see below for illustration- and waiting for you. Introduce yourself and the representative will take you to the hotel (Dusit Thani Abu Dhabi Hotel (website: http://dusit-thani-abu-dhabi.hotel-rn.com). The hotel is located at Mattar Street, Abu Dhabi).
- 4. If, for one reason or another, you could not meet with NCMS representative on arrival, the taxi service in Abu Dhabi airport is excellent. Step outside the building from the left exit to the Taxi pick-up point. The official airport taxis are brown Mercedes mini buses. The ride to the Hotel costs around 80 Dirhams and you can ask the driver for a receipt. There is another limousine taxi service inside the arrival area, which you do not necessarily need to use. We recommend the brown Mercedes mini buses located just outside the arrival building.

In case of emergency regarding pick-up or hotel, please contact**Mr Mohamad**Mohsin @: + 971 50 1300 253

