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Subject: Invitation to the RA V Training Workshop (hybrid) on

Regional WIGOS Centre functions and tools,

to be held in Bali, Indonesia from 19 to 21 May 2025.

Action required: To confirm participation preferably no later than 28 March 2025

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to inform you that WMO is organizing a Training Workshop on the functions and tools of Regional WMO Integrated Global Observing System (WIGOS) Centres (RWC) for the Regional Association V (South-West Pacific) (RA V). This hybrid workshop will take place in Bali, Indonesia, from 19 to 21 May 2025, at the kind invitation of the Government of Indonesia, to be hosted by the Indonesian Meteorological, Climatological and Geophysical Agency (BMKG).

The aim of the training workshop is to improve the understanding and skills of the relevant National Focal Points (NFPs) of RA V Members, especially of those that are new to RWC operations, for an efficient use of the WIGOS tools in the context of the RWC functions and in accordance with the roles and responsibilities of RWCs and NFPs of their affiliated countries.

The primary target audience for the training workshop consists of WIGOS Data Quality Monitoring System (WDQMS) NFPs from RA V and of staff from the RWCs in the Region. Other national experts involved in WIGOS-related activities, such as NFPs for WIGOS and NFPs for OSCAR/Surface are also invited to attend the training workshop remotely, or in person if replacing an NFP for WDQMS. Upon request, financial support can be made available (for no more than one representative per Member) for travel and a daily subsistence allowance (DSA) to a limited number of participants.

More detailed information, such as the workshop programme and logistics, will be made available on the WIGOS web page, in due time.

To facilitate preparations for the training workshop you are kindly requested to review the nomination of your NFP for WDQMS and to provide an update, if required, or to nominate your NFP for WDQMS at your earliest convenience. You may also wish to consider reviewing the nominations of your NFP for WIGOS and NFP for OSCAR/Surface and informing us accordingly. For your information, the list of current NFPs and their terms of reference are available from the WIGOS web page.

- To: Permanent Representatives of Members of Regional Association V: Brunei Darussalam, Philippines, Papua New Guinea, Singapore, Timor-Leste, United States of America, Cook Islands, French Polynesia, Kiribati, Federated States of Micronesia, Nauru, New Caledonia, Samoa, Tonga and Vanuatu of WMO (limited distribution)
- cc: National Focal Points for WIGOS, WDQMS and OSCAR/Surface of the above-mentioned Members

Please would you confirm the participation of your nominated experts at your earliest convenience, but preferably no later than **28 March 2025**, by email to the WMO Regional Office for Asia and the South-West Pacific at rap@wmo.int with a copy to wdqms@wmo.int indicating whether they will attend in person or remotely, and if any financial assistance will be required for travel and/or DSA.

In the case of financial assistance provided by WMO, the necessary travel arrangements will be made by the Secretariat and details will be sent directly to the participants in due course.

Regarding insurance coverage for non-staff members, may I draw your attention to the following:

Non-staff members of WMO who are authorized to travel at the Organization's expense and/or who are receiving a DSA from WMO must ensure they are fully responsible for expenses incurred in the event of death, illness or injury during official travel and attendance at meetings on behalf of the Organization. They are, therefore, fully responsible for arranging life, health, and accident, as well as any other forms of insurance with an adequate level of coverage for the duration of such meetings and events.

WMO liability is limited to the performance of services or attendance at a meeting on behalf of the Organization, is covered by an injury and illness benefit insurance which provides limited coverage for medical, emergency, and supplementary official travel expenses.

I take this opportunity to thank you for your support of the WMO activities.

Yours faithfully,

Ms Ko Barrett for the Secretary-General