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Subject: Invitation to attend the WWRP Integrated Prediction of Precipitation and Hydrology for Early Actions (InPRHA) Steering Group meeting in Montreal, Canada

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have a pleasure of inviting you to attend the second meeting of the Steering Group of the World Weather Research Programme's (WWRP) Integrated Prediction of Precipitation and Hydrology for Early Actions (InPRHA), which will be hosted by the Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) in Montreal, Canada from 8 to 10 July 2025. Additional details regarding this event can be found in the attached Concept Note ([Annex I](#)), and the list of participants ([Annex II](#)).

Due to the limited availability of funds, WMO requests that all invited participants seek financial support through their respective organizations or national funding agencies. However, if required, WMO will provide you with travel support to attend the event in the form of the most direct and economic air ticket, and Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA) that will cover your accommodation and meals.

You are responsible for obtaining the necessary visas to enter Canada and any other countries that you may be transiting, if appropriate.

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.*

To: Invited experts of the WWRP Integrated Prediction of Precipitation and Hydrology for Early Actions (InPRHA) Steering Group

Should you require further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact Dr Nico Caltabiano ([avazcaltabiano@wmo.int](mailto:avazcaltabiano@wmo.int)), WWRP Scientific Officer.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Estelle de Coning', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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## Concept Note

### **WWRP Integrated Prediction of Precipitation and Hydrology for Early Actions (InPRHA)**

**Montreal, Canada – 8-10 July 2025**

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WMO will be organizing the meeting of the Steering Group of the World Weather Research Programme's (WWRP) Integrated Prediction of Precipitation and Hydrology for Early Actions (InPRHA), which will be hosted by the Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) in Montreal, Canada from 8 to 10 July 2025

The meeting will be conducted as an in-person event. However, remote access will be available for participants who are unable to attend in person.

The main objective of the meeting is to:

*Discuss the progress of InPRHA and plan activities for 2025-2026, according to the project plan, including those proposed by the InPRHA Task Teams. The meeting will include sessions with a wider range of participants to facilitate and integrate their expertise and experiences.*

A provisional agenda, working documents, and logistic information for the meeting will be made available to participants ahead of the meeting through the *InPRHA* SharePoint.

A list of participants can be found in [Annex II](#).

Should you need any assistance with visa requirements please contact Dr Nico Caltabiano (avazcaltabiano@wmo.int), WWRP Scientific Officer.

**List of participants****WWRP Integrated Prediction of Precipitation and Hydrology for Early Actions  
(InPRHA)****Montreal, Canada – 8-10 July 2025**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>Role</b>
Celine Cattoën-Gilbert	NIWA	New Zealand	Project Co-chair
Rachel Hogan Carr	Nurture Nature Center	USA	Project Co-chair
Jan Polcher	CNRS	France	Project member
Everisto Mapedza	International Water Management Institute	South Africa	Project member
Vincent Fortin	ECCC	Canada	Project member
Erin Dougherty	NCAR	USA	Project member
Ruben Imhoff	Deltares	The Netherlands	Project member
James Bennett	CSIRO	Australia	Project member
Thara Prabhakaran	IITM	India	Project member
Andrea Taylor (online)	University of Leeds	UK	Project member
Jose Valles (online)	National Directorate of Water	Uruguay	Project member
Maria-Helena Ramos	INRAE	France	SSC liaison
Nico Caltabiano	WMO	Switzerland	WWRP Secretariat