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Subject: Ninth Session of the International Workshop on Tropical Cyclones  
(IWTC-9)(Honolulu, Hawaii, USA, 3-7 December 2018)

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to inform you that the Government of the United States of America has kindly agreed to host the Ninth Session of the International Workshop on Tropical Cyclones (IWTC-9) in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA, from 3 to 7 December 2018.

The workshop is being organized under the WMO World Weather Research Programme (WWRP), in close collaboration with the WMO Tropical Cyclone Programme (TCP).

The main objective of the workshop is to provide a forum for discussion between researchers and forecasters on the current status of tropical cyclone knowledge and on research priorities and opportunities, particularly:

- 1) to examine current knowledge, forecasting and research trends on tropical cyclones from an integrated global perspective and;
- 2) to report on these aspects and to offer recommendations for future forecasting studies and research with special regard to the varying needs of different tropical cyclone affected regions.

In order to prepare for the workshop and to follow-up related tasks, an International Organizing Committee (IOC) was established with membership consisting of two co-chairpersons, Dr Michael Brennan (USA) and Professor Yuqing Wang (Australia), and research and forecasting experts, including representatives of the five tropical cyclone regional bodies.

IOC has recommended to invite you to participate in the aforementioned workshop. I should therefore be grateful if you could communicate your decision to the WMO Secretariat (NLomarda@wmo.int, cc: are\_res@wmo.int) at your earliest convenience, but preferably **not later than 5 November 2018**.


In view of the limited funds available for the organization for this workshop I would appreciate it if your Service could meet the expenses related to your participation.

To: Permanent Representatives of Members with WMO (limited distribution)

Detailed information pertaining to the workshop (tentative programme, registration and hotel accommodation forms, information note for participants, etc.) will be made available in due course at: <https://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/arep/wwrp/IWTC-9.html>.

I look forward to your participation in this important international workshop.

Yours faithfully,



(W. Zhang)  
for the Secretary-General