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Annex: 1 (available in English only)

Subject: Meeting of the Task Team on the development of Guidelines for Ensemble

Prediction System Products and Post-processing (TT-EPSPP), Reading, United

Kingdom, from 18 to 20 February 2020

Action required: To confirm the participation of your respective expert by 28 January 2020

Dear Sir/Madam,

The WMO Commission for Basic Systems Management Group decided, at their meeting in May 2019 (CBS-MG-19), to continue developing the "Guidelines for the Ensemble Prediction System Products and Post-processing including Calibration". The guidelines would help Members make better use of ensemble forecast systems and data in their operations. To that end, a Task Team on the development of Guidelines for Ensemble Prediction System Products and Post-Processing (TT-EPSPP) has been established and work has been initiated.

In order to complete the guidelines, the TT-EPSPP needs to meet to ensure consistency of content and to finalize the remaining chapters. I am, therefore, pleased to inform you that ECMWF has agreed to host this meeting, in Reading, England, from 18 to 20 February 2020. I should be grateful if you could confirm the participation of your expert (see Annex), by notifying the WMO Secretariat **not later than 28 January 2020**.

Additional information and other relevant documents, including a provisional agenda and a documentation plan for the meeting will soon be posted on the WMO website at: https://community.wmo.int/meetings.

Given the limited funds available for this event, it is hoped that your Service will consider meeting the expenses related to the participation of your expert. However, if this is not possible, WMO, upon request, could consider covering the cost of his participation, airticket and/or per diem.

In order to clarify WMO's insurance coverage for non-staff members attending this workshop, participants are advised as follows:

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I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for your continued support of the WMO Programmes and activities.

Yours faithfully,

(E. Manaenkova) for the Secretary-General

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