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Subject: Invitation to attend the ENANDES/BRAVA End of Inception Phase Workshop, Buenos Aires, Argentina (13–15 June 2022)

Action required: Nomination of one focal point to participate in the ENANDES/BRAVA End of Inception Phase Workshop by **24 May 2022**

Dear Sir/Madam,

The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) have entered into an agreement for the Inception Phase of the project “Building regional adaptive capacity and resilience to climate variability and change in vulnerable sectors in the Andes” (hereafter referred to as “ENANDES/BRAVA”). The BRAVA project is a collaboration with the already existing WMO-implemented project, Enhancing Adaptive Capacity of Andean Communities through Climate Services (ENANDES). ENANDES is already supporting Chile, Colombia and Peru; BRAVA will provide additional support to Peru as well as to Argentina, Bolivia and Ecuador.

ENANDES/BRAVA will strengthen climate resilience in these four Andean countries by increasing their capacity to provide weather, water and climate services in support of improved climate-related socioeconomic outcomes and reduced losses associated with hydro-meteorological hazards.

Following 10 months of intense work as part of the ENANDES/BRAVA project Inception Phase, and building on the work already undertaken during ENANDES implementation, a three-day, face-to-face technical workshop is being planned to bring together representatives from the National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs), the WMO Regional Climate and Training Centres of South America, international partners (MeteoSwiss and Bern University of Applied Sciences), WMO and SDC to validate ENANDES/BRAVA project indicators, and to agree on suitable approaches for the implementation of the project gender, interculturality and vulnerability elements and on the framework for a socio-economic benefit analysis. The event will also provide an opportunity for project stakeholders and participants to collaborate on exchanging experiences, lessons learned and challenges from previous regional projects. The workshop will be dedicated to ENANDES/BRAVA participants and stakeholders, with additional invitees from the ENANDES project.

The ENANDES/BRAVA End of Inception phase workshop will be held in-person in Buenos Aires at the premises of the National Meteorological Service of Argentina, from 13 to 15 June 2022. You are invited to nominate one representative from your institution to attend the event. I would appreciate if you could inform Mr Guilherme Varro, Associate Project Officer, (gvarro@wmo.int) **not later than 24 May 2022**, of his/her participation for future workshop-related correspondence.

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, 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 a limited coverage for medical, emergency and supplementary official travel expenses."

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a series of fluid, connected strokes that form a stylized representation of the name Petteri Taalas.

Prof. Petteri Taalas
Secretary-General