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Subject: Collaboration with the parties of the International Sava River Basin Commission in the implementation of WMO Hydrological Observation System (WHOS)

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the pleasure of informing you that the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and the International Sava River Basin Commission (ISRBC) are jointly collaborating in the implementation of the WMO Hydrological Observing System (WHOS) within the Sava River basin after the expression of interest to collaborate at the 60th session of the ISRBC. This initiative is building on the past collaboration where the ISRBC and WMO worked closely in the development of the Sava Hydrological Information System (Sava HIS) with active involvement and very important contribution of the relevant national hydrometeorological services.

WMO has developed the WMO Hydrological Observing System (WHOS) as the hydrological component of WMO Integrated Global Observing System (WIGOS) and the WMO Information System (WIS) to facilitate hydrological data sharing and interoperability. WHOS aims at connecting different data providers in different scales (local, regional, global) and users, allowing users to discover, access, and retrieve standardized data in different views and formats using brokering approach and web services.

To date, two regional WHOS pilots have been implemented, one in the La Plata Basin in South America (WHOS-Plata) and the other in the Arctic Region (WHOS-Arctic). The WMO Regional Association VI (Europe) Task Team on WMO Hydrological Observing Systems aims to contribute to the WHOS implementation by inclusion of the Sava River basin as a pilot under the WHOS.

In the view of the aforesaid, I kindly request your support in this activity by allowing real-time and historical hydrometeorological data to be available online under the WHOS initiative. Data will be used through Sava HIS in accordance with the [Policy on the exchange of hydrological and meteorological data and information in the Sava River basin](#).

To: Mr Almir Bijedic Federal Hydrometeorological Service,
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cc: Ms Angela Corina, the Regional HA,
Mr Mirza Sarač, ISRBC Secretariat

Kindly inform us if you agree in supporting the implementation of the WHOS pilot by addressing an email to the WMO Regional Office for Europe at: roe@wmo.int. Kindly note that the ISRBC has nominated Mr Mirza Sarač (ISRBC Secretariat) as WHOS focal point.

I thank you for your collaboration and look forward to cooperating under the WHOS initiative.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'P. Taalas', written in a cursive style.

Prof. Petteri Taalas
Secretary-General