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Subject: Thirteenth Session of the WMO Research Board (RB-13)

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite you to attend RB-13, which will take place in a hybrid format at the WMO headquarter in Geneva, Switzerland from 28 to 30 September 2026.

The RB-13 session will provide RB members the opportunity to identify actions to translate the strategic aims of WMO and the decisions of Executive Council and Congress into overarching research priorities as well as how to adapt in a rapidly changing environment to mobilize research internationally. A detailed agenda and relevant documents will be provided in due course.

In view of the current financial situation, travel support for in-person participation is extremely limited. I would therefore greatly appreciate it if you were able to fully or partially self-fund your travel. If this is not possible, WMO, upon request, will consider meeting the costs of your participation in the form of per diem and/or roundtrip economy airfare, within the limits of available funds. Virtual participation will remain available to all members.

Based on the preliminary indications received, the expected in-person participation is listed in Annex.

Please feel free to contact Dr Liye LI (lli@wmo.int) should you have any questions regarding the session or the travel arrangements.

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,

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To: Participants listed in the annex

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