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Subject: Invitation to the twenty-third Session of the Global Space-based Inter-calibration System Executive Panel (GSICS-EP-23), on 29 and 30 June 2023

Dear GSICS-EP Member/Observer,

We are pleased to invite you to participate in the twenty-third session of the Global Space-based Inter-calibration System Executive Panel (GSICS-EP-23), hosted by the Japan Meteorological Agency, and that will take place on 29 and 30 June 2023, in Tokyo, Japan. The session will be mainly conducted as a face-to-face event; however, remote access will be made available in case any participant is not able to attend in person.

The Panel will review the progress reported by the GSICS Coordination Center (GCC), the GSICS Research Working Group (GRWG), and the GSICS Data Management Working Group (GRWG), and discuss the issues raised by these reports. All GSICS Member and Observer agencies will be invited to present a brief report on the highlights of their plans and activities since the last session. In addition, the Panel will focus on fundamental issues including the review of GSICS User Requirements, the definition of GSICS deliverables, the strategy for calibration references, as well as the strategy of GSICS in support of climate architecture. Given the importance of this meeting for the strategy and governance of GSICS, I hope that every GSICS EP member will be in position to attend.

If you wish to submit a contribution to any of the discussion points of the agenda, please send your presentations and additional material to hpohjola@wmo.int and copy to mitch.goldberg@noaa.gov by 15 June 2023 using the templates posted on the following WMO GSICS-EP-23 web page: 23rd Session of the Global Space-based Inter-Calibration System Executive Panel (GSICS-EP-23) | World Meteorological Organization (wmo.int). The past GSICS meeting reports are also available from this link.

The session will take place in the same venue as the fifty-first Plenary session of the Coordination Group for Meteorological Satellites (CGMS), 3F Hall, Japan Meteorological Agency, 3-6-9 Toranomon, Minato City, Tokyo 105-8431, Japan, which will meet from 26 to 28 June 2023. A practical information package, e.g., Information Note, VISA application, is available on the WMO web page indicated above.

You are invited to register for the GSICS-EP meeting at the following address: https://forms.office.com/e/5q9z1imaiz. The deadline for visa support request is 10 April 2023, and the deadline for meeting registration is 15 May 2023. I look forward to welcoming you at this meeting.

Yours faithfully,

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