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Subject: Invitation to attend to the Online Workshop on Weather and Climate

Services for the Energy and Related Sectors in South America

13-24 November 2023

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are delighted to inform you that the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), in collaboration with various national and regional institutions, is organizing the first Online Workshop on Weather and Climate Services for the Energy and Related Sectors in South America. This online workshop will take place from 13 to 24 November 2023 (on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays only), with sessions scheduled from 1400 to 1700 UTC.

Renewable energy is intricately tied to meteorology, underscoring the critical importance of strengthening National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs) in the transition to clean energy. WMO is committed to building the capacities of NMHSs to enhance meteorological, hydrological, and climate services for the energy sector.

This online workshop for the energy sector in Latin America is being conducted within the framework of the Enhancing Adaptative Capacity of Andean Communities through Climate Services (ENANDES) project. ENANDES seeks to empower communities to adapt to the challenges posed by a variable and changing climate. Additionally, this initiative aligns with the WMO Study Group on Integrated Energy Services (SG-ENE) capacity development plan, addressing the growing national and regional demands for weather, water and climate services for the energy sector.

The online workshop aims to facilitate the participation of delegates from NMHSs, energy ministries, energy users and stakeholders from the public, private and academic sectors, hailing from Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, and Peru, as part of the ENANDES+ project. Representatives from other South and Central American Members, as well as energy focal points, are also cordially invited to attend.

The online workshop agenda includes:

- Sessions 1, 2 and 3: Experience-sharing sessions for NMHSs, focusing on the necessity of weather and climate services for the energy sector, the status of weather, water and climate services, and insights from international, regional, and national best practices;
- Sessions 4 and 5: Technical sessions exploring meteorological and hydrological services, co-production of integrated services for energy, and the development of national renewable energy atlases;
- Session 6: Offers a hands-on opportunity to collaboratively identify national priorities for the energy sector, with the participation of national representatives from the public, private, and academic sectors.

To: Permanent Representatives of Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela with WMO (limited distribution)

The event will be led by WMO with support from regional and international partners, as well as NMHSs, where we anticipate the participation of approximately 80 delegates. The official language of the workshop will be Spanish. For the workshop's detailed programme and additional information, kindly refer to the event's webpage.

We would greatly appreciate it if your institution could nominate up to five individuals from your country by providing their details through the online form by **31 October 2023**. We encourage you to extend this invitation to representatives from your organization, Ministry of Energy, the private sector, and academia.

The contribution of the nominated participants will be invaluable to the success of this workshop. Should you have any inquiries or require further information about the workshop, please feel free to reach out to Ms Sheilla Baldeon (sbaldeon@wmo.int) and Mr Hamid Bastani (hbastani@wmo.int).

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support to WMO activities.

Yours faithfully,

Dr Elena Manaenkova for the Secretary-General