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Subject: Inaugural Session of the Third Pole Climate Forum (TPCF 1) and meeting of

the Third Pole Regional Climate Centre Network (TPRCC-Network) Task

Team, 4 to 6 June 2024, Lijiang, China

Confirm your participation in the mentioned Workshop preferably by Action required:

14 May 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to inform you that the Inaugural session of the Third Pole Climate Forum (TPCF 1) and meeting of the Third Pole Regional Climate Centre Network (TPRCC-Network) Task Team will be held in Lijiang, China from 4 to 6 June 2024, hosted by BCC and the Northwest Institute of Eco-Environment and Resources (NIEER, CAS). The demonstration phase of the Third Pole Regional Climate Centre Network (TPRCC-Network) will be formally launched during the Forum. Additional details regarding this event can be found in the attached Concept Note (Annex I).

I have the pleasure in inviting you to attend or to propose a representative of your organization with climate services related knowledge and expertise to participate and contribute to the aforesaid events.

It is envisioned that the corresponding costs related to your participation will be borne by your Organization/Institution.

For administrative purposes, I would appreciate it if you would kindly notify the WMO Secretariat (ahovsepyan@wmo.int) about your participation at your earliest convenience but not later than 14 May 2024.

Yours faithfully,

Dr Johan Stander Director

Services Department

Inaugural Session of the Third Pole Climate Forum (TPCF 1) and meeting of the Third Pole Regional Climate Centre Network (TPRCC-Network) Task Team

Lijiang, China, 4-6 June 2024

WMO and the Beijing Climate Center (BCC) of China Meteorology Administration (CMA) will be co-organizing the Inaugural Session of the Third Pole Climate Forum (TPCF 1) and meeting of the Third Pole Regional Climate Centre Network (TPRCC-Network) Task Team on 4 - 6 June 2024, hosted by BCC and the Northwest Institute of Eco-Environment and Resources (NIEER, CAS) in Lijiang, China.

Remarkable progress has been made by the Third Pole Regional Climate Centre – Network (TPRCC-Network) in developing climate products and services for the Members of the Third Pole region. TPRCC-Network has a unique design and focuses on the cryosphere products to address the needs of Members in the region with a rapidly changing and remote high-mountain environment. The Third Pole Climate Forum (TPCF) has been recognized as one of the flagship activities of TPRCC-Network and the main user engagement mechanism at regional level.

Following the resolution 9 of Seventeenth Session of Regional Association II (RA II-17) 2021, the recommendations of the Scoping Workshop on the establishment of the Third Pole Climate Forum (TPCF) (November 2023) and the recommendations of the RA II WMO Integrated Global Observing System (WIGOS) Workshop (December 2023), the TPRCC-Network will be initiating the TPCF with guidance from the WMO Secretariat, relevant Constituent bodies, their subsidiary bodies and from the existing RCCs/RCC-networks. The TPCF will have a unique format by focusing on the cryosphere products to address the needs of Members in the Third Pole region.

The Inaugural session of TPCF will be held on 4 - 5 June 2024. The main objectives of the Forum are to establish a sustainable regional collaborative platform that brings together national, regional, and international climate experts, users and stakeholders, to produce seasonal outlook based on input from WMO Global Producing Centres for Long-Range Forecasts (GPCsLRF), Lead Center for Long-Range Forecast Multi-Model Ensemble (LC-LRFMME), WMO Regional Climate Centres (RCCs) and National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs), and to discuss how the climate information can be effectively integrated into decision making processes. TPCF 1 will be followed by the meeting of the Task Team of TPRCC-Network on 6 June 2024 to discuss the outcomes of the Forum and the role and responsibilities of TPRCC Network Nodes in the TPCF process.

The Forum agenda and the logistical details will be provided to the participants in due course. For further information, please contact Ms. Anahit Hovsepyan (ahovsepyan@wmo.int), Scientific Officer, Regional Climate Prediction (RCP) Services Division at the WMO Secretariat. For the local logistics and visa support please contact Mr. Sun Yuan (sunyuan@cma.gov.cn).

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Lijiang, China, 4-6 June 2024

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