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Subject: Invitation to the 11th meeting of the Expert Team on Space Systems and Utilization (ET-SSU-11), Geneva, Switzerland, 29-31 October 2024

Action required: To notify the WMO Secretariat whether you will be able to attend the meeting, at your earliest convenience, but not later than **31 July 2024**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to inform you that the 11th meeting of the ET-SSU will be held in WMO, Geneva, Switzerland, from 29 to 31 October 2024. Additional details regarding this event can be found in the attached Concept Note ([Annex I](#)).

WMO would like to increase the coordination between the ET-SSU and the regional associations and I am therefore pleased to invite you to this meeting. I should be grateful if you would be able to attend this meeting.

It is hoped that the cost of your participation will be borne by your organization. If, however, it is not possible, WMO is prepared to consider, upon request, providing financial support which may consist of travel cost (most economic air fare according to the most direct route) and/or per diem.

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."

To: Regional Experts to the Expert Team on Space Systems and Utilization (ET-SSU)

cc: Permanent Representatives of Australia and Kenya with WMO
Dr Renato Galante, Head of Division, INPE (Renato.galante@inpe.br)

For administrative purposes, I would appreciate if you could kindly notify the WMO Secretariat (Ms Zoya Andreeva, zandreeva@wmo.int) at your earliest convenience, but not later than **31 July 2024** of:

- (1) Your participation in this event
- (2) If WMO assistance in relation to funding is sought.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nir Stav".

Mr Nir Stav
Director
Infrastructure Department

Concept Note

11th meeting of the Expert Team on Space Systems and Utilization

WMO, Geneva, Switzerland, 29-31 October 2024

WMO will be hosting the 11th meeting of the Expert Team on Space Systems and Utilization in Geneva, Switzerland, from 29 to 31 October 2024 daily from 0900 to 1700 CEST (0700 to 1500 UTC).

The meeting will be 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 main objective of the meeting is to discuss the key priorities for the implementation of the space-based component of the WMO Integrated Global Observing Systems (WIGOS), in particular:

- 1) Outcomes of INFCOM-3 and EC-78
- 2) The Vision for WIGOS 2040 update
- 3) Early warnings for all (EW4All) initiative: gaps in satellite data/products
- 4) Satellite data requirements for nowcasting, hydrology, cryosphere, and other application areas
- 5) Regional engagement
- 6) Education and training
- 7) Access to satellite data, including WIS 2.0, and direct broadcast
- 8) OSCAR/Space: further developments
- 9) Radio frequency coordination issues

A provisional agenda, working documents as well as logistic information for the meeting will be posted on the ET-SSU web-page:

<https://community.wmo.int/en/meetings/11th-meeting-expert-team-space-systems-and-utilization-et-ssu-11>.

A list of invited participants can be found in [Annex II](#).

Should you need any assistance with visa requirements please contact Ms Zoya Andreeva, zandreeva@wmo.int.

List of invited participants

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