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Anexos: 2 (disponibles en inglés solamente)

Asunto: Participación en la primera reunión del Grupo de Coordinación de los Coordinadores para la Juventud de la Organización Meteorológica Mundial (Tokio, Japón, 26 a 29 de enero de 2026)

Finalidad: Confirmar en cuanto pueda, pero de preferencia no más tarde del **1 de diciembre de 2025**, si su experto asistirá a la reunión y, en caso afirmativo, si requerirá asistencia financiera

Estimado señor/Estimada señora:

Tengo el placer de informarle que, por amable invitación del Servicio Meteorológico del Japón (JMA), la primera reunión del Grupo de Coordinación de los Coordinadores para la Juventud de la Organización Meteorológica Mundial (OMM) se celebrará en Tokio (Japón) del 26 al 29 de enero de 2026.

La reunión se centrará en la puesta en marcha y la ejecución del [Plan de Acción de la OMM para la Juventud](#) (2025-2027), recientemente aprobado, y en especial en el establecimiento de la estructura de gobernanza de la Red de Jóvenes de la OMM, la elaboración de la hoja de ruta para la ejecución del Plan y la ultimación del mandato de los coordinadores para la juventud en los planos regional y nacional. En el [anexo I](#) a la presente carta figura información adicional sobre los objetivos, la estructura y los resultados previstos de la reunión.

Dado que uno de los miembros de este grupo (véase el [anexo II](#) a la presente carta) es un experto de su país o de su organismo designado con su aprobación para ejercer en calidad de coordinador para la juventud, le agradecería que estudiase la posibilidad de que ese experto participe en la reunión.

En virtud de la [regla 31](#) del Reglamento General de la OMM (*Documentos fundamentales N° 1* (OMM-N° 15), "los gastos relativos a la participación de los miembros de los órganos subsidiarios de los órganos integrantes y de órganos adicionales en las reuniones de esos órganos correrán normalmente a cargo de los Miembros o de las organizaciones internacionales a los que pertenezcan los miembros de los órganos". Por consiguiente, espero que su Gobierno sufrague esos gastos, en caso de que su experto pueda asistir a la reunión.

No obstante, si a su Gobierno no le fuese posible financiar los gastos relacionados con la participación de su experto en el evento, la OMM estaría dispuesta a considerar la posibilidad de proporcionar asistencia financiera para tal fin. Sin embargo, en vista de la actual situación financiera, la OMM no está en condiciones de financiar íntegramente su viaje para esta misión. Por tanto, si necesitase apoyo financiero, cabe la posibilidad de que, previa solicitud, podamos brindar asistencia limitada. Sírvese tomar nota de que el JMA se encargará de organizar el alojamiento de todos los participantes y sufragará los correspondientes gastos.

A los Representantes Permanentes de la Argentina, Australia, Etiopía, Indonesia, el Japón, la República Checa, la República Unida de Tanzania, Rumanía, Singapur, Sudáfrica, Suiza, los Territorios Británicos del Caribe y el Uruguay ante la OMM (distribución limitada)

Le agradecería que, en cuanto fuese posible, pero de preferencia no más tarde del **1 de diciembre de 2025**, comunicase al señor Theophilus Wellington (twellington@wmo.int), de la Secretaría de la OMM, si su experto podrá asistir a la reunión, si necesitará ayuda financiera y, en tal caso, si esta consistirá en los gastos de viaje, las dietas o ambos. Si la OMM sufragase los gastos de viaje, la Secretaría se encargaría de efectuar los trámites respectivos y se le enviaría oportunamente a su experto la información detallada.

Asimismo, le ruego que se informe acerca del visado de entrada al Japón y que consulte con la agencia de viajes si se requiere un visado de tránsito. En caso de necesitar ayuda con las solicitudes de visado u otros arreglos logísticos, sírvase ponerse en contacto con la señora Maho Sugawara (maho.sugawara@met.kishou.go.jp o iao-jma@met.kishou.go.jp) y la señora Mayuko Higuchi (m-higuchi@met.kishou.go.jp). De ser necesario, el JMA enviará cartas de invitación a los participantes para poder cursar las solicitudes de visado en cuanto haya recibido una copia de su pasaporte. Se recomienda encarecidamente a los participantes que envíen oportunamente dichas copias a la señora Sugawara.

En lo que respecta a la cobertura del seguro para las personas que no son funcionarios de la Organización, quisiera señalar a su atención lo siguiente:

"Las personas que no pertenecen al personal de la OMM, pero han sido autorizadas a viajar a sus expensas y/o reciben dietas de ella, deberán asumir íntegramente los gastos incurridos en caso de muerte, enfermedad o lesión durante los viajes oficiales y la asistencia a reuniones en nombre de la Organización. Por tanto, les incumbirá únicamente a ellas la concertación de cualquier seguro de vida, salud o accidente, así como de cualquier otra modalidad de seguro, con un nivel de cobertura adecuado para la duración de las reuniones y eventos correspondientes.

La responsabilidad de la OMM con respecto a esas personas se limitará a sus actividades de prestación de servicios o a su asistencia a reuniones en nombre de la Organización, y estará cubierta por un seguro de lesiones y enfermedad que ofrece una cobertura limitada de los gastos médicos y por urgencias médicas y de los gastos de viaje oficial adicionales".

Aprovecho esta oportunidad para agradecerle su continuo apoyo y sus contribuciones a las actividades de la OMM.

Le saluda atentamente.



Sra. Ko Barrett
por la Secretaria General

YOUTH FOCAL POINT COORDINATION MEETING

Background

In October 2025, at the extraordinary session of the World Meteorological Congress (Cg-Ext(2025)) the WMO first ever Youth Action Plan 2025-2027 was adopted. This Youth Action Plan was developed in response to the Executive Council's call for enhanced youth engagement at its seventy-eighth session (EC-78), and it lays out a framework to institutionalize youth involvement in WMO activities.

Notably, the Plan invites all WMO Members to nominate a Youth Focal Point to drive its implementation and encourages these focal points to take the lead in executing youth-related actions. The Plan also emphasizes establishing a formal WMO Youth Network as a structured platform for ongoing youth engagement, where Youth Focal Points across WMO drive advocacy, and ensure youth mainstreaming and representation in decision-making forums. The Secretary-General has been requested to facilitate its implementation and report on its progress to the 2027 Congress, underscoring the need to rapidly operationalize its goals.

With the Youth Action Plan endorsed, there is a clear need for its operationalization by convening the newly designated Youth Focal Points from each WMO Regional Association. Bringing these regional Youth Focal Points together with the Secretariat Focal Points will enable a coordinated approach to implementation, ensuring consistency and knowledge-sharing. Many of these Focal Points are taking first-of-their-kind roles; in fact, some have already sought additional guidance on their mandate. This highlights the urgency to provide structured guidance, governance mechanisms and support to the Focal Points. A dedicated coordination meeting from 26 to 29 January 2026, following the extraordinary Congress session in October will address this need by uniting regional Youth Focal Points to develop a road map for an effective implementation of the Youth Action Plan in the short two-year span.

Objectives

The Youth Focal Point Coordination Meeting will focus on the following key objectives, aligning with the Youth Action Plan directives and responding to the needs expressed by the Focal Points:

- **Establish a Youth Network Governance Structure:** Design and agree on a governance model for the emerging WMO Youth Network, defining how Youth Focal Points from all regions (and constituent bodies) will collaborate and be represented. Develop and agree on working instructions to guide coordination, communication and collaboration between the youth network, WMO Members and the Secretariat.
- **Develop a road map for implementation:** Define priorities for each of the pillars and propose a timeline for implementation, including clearly delineated responsibilities, plans for monitoring and reporting progress.
- **Finalize Terms of Reference (ToRs):** Develop and finalize clear Terms of Reference (ToRs) for the Youth Focal Points (at both regional and national levels). These ToRs will delineate the role, functions and expectations of Youth Focal Points, providing much-needed clarity on their mandate.
- **Define Secretariat Support Framework:** Outline how the WMO Secretariat will support the Youth Focal Points and the broader youth engagement network. This framework will detail the role of the Secretariat in providing resources, technical and administrative support, mentorship opportunities, and continuity for youth initiatives.

Proposed Agenda (4-Day Working Meeting)

Day 1: Strategic Orientation and Youth Network Design

The opening day will provide a shared strategic understanding of the WMO Youth Action Plan 2025–2027, including its key pillars, implementation timeline and expectations for Youth Focal Points. Participants will then engage in interactive workshops and trust-building exercises to co-design the governance structure of the WMO Youth Network.

Deliverables: a joint strategic vision statement, a draft governance framework.

Day 2: Road map Development of Governance and Capacity Development

This day will focus on translating Pillars 1 and 2 of the Youth Action Plan into an actionable road map. Participants will define how to implement the governance model of the WMO Youth Network, including coordination mechanisms with WMO Regional Associations, integration of national Youth Focal Points and engagement in technical bodies. They will also identify priority actions for capacity development, such as training pathways, youth participation in scientific and policy processes and Secretariat support.

Deliverable: A draft road map outlining concrete steps, responsibilities and timelines for implementing the governance structure and capacity development priorities of the Youth Action Plan.

Day 3: Road map Development of Human Resources, Communication and Outreach, and Partnerships

Building on the previous day, Day 3 will address Pillars 3 and 4 of the Youth Action Plan. Participants will outline how to enhance youth recruitment, recognition and retention across WMO activities, and propose actions for onboarding, mentorship and inclusion in leadership pipelines. The day will also focus on outreach and partnerships, defining communication strategies, key collaborators and how youth-led initiatives can be amplified globally.

Deliverable: A draft road map outlining concrete steps, responsibilities and timelines for advancing human resources, communication and partnership objectives under the Youth Action Plan.

Day 4: Operational Frameworks and Youth Focal Point Presentations

On the final day, the focus will be on equipping the Youth Network with the tools and practices needed for effective coordination and long-term impact. In the morning, participants will finalize a set of working instructions to guide collaboration across regions and with WMO structures. This will include agreed ToRs, reporting lines and coordination pathways with WMO Members, Regional Associations and technical bodies. The group will also co-develop an “Onboarding and Support Toolkit”, featuring orientation materials and practical guidance for outreach. In the afternoon, Regional Focal Points will present national-level youth initiatives, lessons learned and their further proposed strategies for enhancing youth engagement. These showcases will ensure that diverse experiences inform the final road map.

Deliverables: Working Instructions manual, Onboarding and Support Toolkit, and a summary of country and regional youth engagement contributions.

Expected Outcomes

By the conclusion of the meeting, the following outcomes are expected to be achieved, providing a solid foundation for youth engagement implementation going forward:

- **Youth Network Governance Model:** An agreed-upon governance structure for the WMO Youth Network, clearly defining how Youth Focal Points from all regions and WMO bodies will coordinate and be represented.

- **Implementation Road map (2025–2027):** A clear and time-bound road map for implementing the WMO Youth Action Plan over 2025–2027, aligned with the WMO governance cycle. This road map will list key activities, deliverables and checkpoints – for example, interim progress reviews at relevant WMO meetings and the aim to have the WMO Youth Network fully operational by the twentieth World Meteorological Congress in 2027 (Cg-20). The road map will guide all stakeholders (Youth Focal Points, WMO Secretariat and Members) in coordinated action and ensure accountability for delivering on the Youth Action Plan ahead of **Cg-20**.
- **ToRs and Working Instructions:** A finalized set of **ToRs** for WMO Youth Focal Points (delineating their role, duties and reporting lines), along with **Working Instructions** for the network operation. These documents will give Youth Focal Points the clarity and guidance needed to perform their roles effectively, directly addressing the calls for guidance from current focal points.
- **Secretariat Support Plan:** A defined plan or framework for ongoing **Secretariat support** to the Youth Focal Point network. This includes commitments or recommendations for resources (human and financial), coordination support (for example, a dedicated Secretariat youth liaison), and capacity-building measures (such as mentorship and training programmes) that the WMO Secretariat will provide to sustain the youth engagement efforts.

The successful execution of this coordination meeting will mark a critical step in translating the WMO Youth Action Plan from vision to action. The meeting results will position the WMO community to move forward with a unified youth network and concrete plan, ensuring that by the time of Cg-20, youth are fully integrated into WMO mission and activities as valued partners in weather, climate and water services.

**LIST OF PARTICIPANTS FOR THE FIRST WMO YOUTH FOCAL POINT
COORDINATION MEETING
Tokyo, Japan (from 26 to 29 January 2026)**

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RA I	RA I	Ethiopia	Asaminew	Teshome	Ethiopian Meteorological Institute (Ethiomet)
RA II	RA II	Japan	Ken	Yamada	RA II Expert Team on Climate Services, Japan Meteorological Agency (JMA)
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