

**WMO OMM**

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Anexo: 1 (disponible en inglés solamente)

Asunto: Edición de 2023 del Taller de Orientación Inicial para Representantes Permanentes en la Secretaría de la Organización Meteorológica Mundial (Ginebra, **20 a 22 de noviembre de 2023**)

Finalidad: Completar el [formulario de solicitud de visita de familiarización](#) para Representantes Permanentes y Directores de Servicios Meteorológicos e Hidrológicos Nacionales y enviarlo a la Organización Meteorológica Mundial en cuanto sea posible

Estimado señor/Estimada señora:

Quisiera referirme a la carta de referencia 20891/2023/MS-RSO, de fecha 5 de octubre de 2023, relativa al Taller de Orientación Inicial para Representantes Permanentes que tendrá lugar en la Secretaría de la Organización Meteorológica Mundial (OMM). A ese respecto, cúpleme informarle de un cambio de fechas, dado que el taller, previsto inicialmente del 13 al 15 de noviembre de 2023, se celebrará ahora del **20 al 22 de noviembre de 2023**.

En lo concerniente al pago de las dietas, se le entregará una tarjeta de Swiss Bankers a su llegada. Sírvasse completar el formulario de solicitud de asistencia financiera, que figura en el [anexo](#) a la presente carta, y enviarlo a la dirección mherinkova@wmo.int con la mayor brevedad y, en todo caso, no más tarde del **23 de octubre de 2023** para que se disponga del tiempo necesario para ultimar los preparativos logísticos requeridos.

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”.

A los Representantes Permanentes de los Miembros ante la OMM (distribución limitada)

Copias: Asesores Hidrológicos

Asimismo, se señala a la atención de los viajeros que las reglas y reglamentos de la OMM no cubren los costos adicionales derivados de la prolongación de las estancias de expertos ni otros gastos fruto de las restricciones a los viajes impuestas por autoridades nacionales. Como sucede con las disposiciones del seguro médico conexas, el viajero debe velar por que su seguro de viaje brinde la protección necesaria frente a sucesos imprevistos, como el cierre de fronteras u otras restricciones a los viajes.

Le saluda atentamente.



Prof. Petteri Taalas
Secretario General



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REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

2023 Permanent Representative induction workshop

20-22 November 2023

WMO Secretariat in Geneva

MS/RSO

Please complete this form in block letters by typing only (no handwriting).

Return to: mrequests@wmo.int (with a copy of your passport) at your earliest convenience but no later than **23 October 2023**

1. PARTICIPANT

Please complete the following **MANDATORY** information exactly as it appears in your passport:

Gender	Male ☐ Female ☐		
FAMILY NAME			
MAIDEN NAME (if applicable)			
First Name			
Nationality			
Place of birth		Date of birth (DD/MM/YY)	
Passport number		Validity (DD/MM/YY)	
Holding US visa	Yes ☐	No ☐	Not applicable ☐
Schengen visa	Yes ☐	No ☐	Not applicable ☐
Address			
City		Postal code	
Country		Nearest departure airport	
Mobile phone number		Office phone number	
E-mail			

2. ASSISTANCE FROM WMO FOR TRAVEL

Assistance requested: ☐ yes ☐ no

3. ASSISTANCE FROM WMO FOR DAILY SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE (DSA)

50% of DSA will be recovered by the organization if no accommodation invoice is provided.

DSA requested ☐ yes ☐ no

Bank transfer, please indicate full bank details:(i) ☐ **CHF** Swiss Francs ☐ **USD** US Dollars ☐ **EUR** Euros currencies

Name of the bank:	
Address:	
Name of account holder	
Account number	
SWIFT Code	
ABA Code (USA)/BSB (AUD)	
SORT Code (UK)/Transit (CAD)	
IBAN Code/CLABE (MEX)	

If bank transfer is NOT possible:

- (ii) Payment by Swiss Bankers Card* ☐ **CHF**, ☐ **USD**, ☐ **EUR**
- (iii) Payment by reloading of existing Swiss Bankers Card in my possession.
☐ **CHF**, ☐ **USD**, ☐ **EUR**
- (iv) Through UNDP Office (**USD**) ☐.

4. INFORMATION ON SUPPORT RECEIVED IN ADDITION TO WMO ASSISTANCE**4.1 Declaration**No additional support received ☐ OR Additional support received ☐**4.2 Information**

In case additional support is received, please indicate type of funding and estimated value:

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5. APPLICABLE RULES AND INSTRUCTIONS

The travel shall be conducted in accordance with relevant WMO rules and instructions. An excerpt of these is provided in the Annex to this form. Please read it carefully.

By signing this form, I confirm that:

- ☐ The information I have provided is correct;
- ☐ I shall comply with the relevant WMO rules and instructions;
- ☐ It is my responsibility to make arrangements for health insurance;
- ☐ It is my responsibility to ensure that the required medical clearance is obtained before traveling;
- ☐ It is my responsibility to obtain all necessary visas;
- ☐ If I do not attend/participate in the meeting, I will return any travel advance that I have received, and if the travel advance exceeded the amount of reimbursable travel expenses, I shall refund WMO the difference.

Signature of the participant: **Date:**

ANNEX

Excerpt from applicable rules and instructions

In accordance with WMO travel rules, air travel shall be provided in economy class, for the most economical and direct route.

If you are unable to travel after the ticket has been issued, you must inform the WMO travel agency (at: wmo.ch@contactcwt.com) prior to departure. Please also inform mrequests@wmo.int and travel@wmo.int as soon as your travel is cancelled.

Visas

It is the traveller's responsibility to ensure that all required official travel documents are valid and accurate in order to obtain the necessary visa(s) for the destination, transit stops prior to departure.

Medical clearance

Medical clearance is a mandatory requirement for all travellers whose official travel is paid for by WMO in order to certify that they are medically fit to travel. It is the traveller's responsibility to ensure that the required medical clearance and vaccinations are obtained before travelling.

Insurance

As per the regulations related to insurance in the chapter 6 of the Standing Instruction on WMO official travel, non-staff members retain the primary obligation to ensure that they have the appropriate medical and travel insurance coverage when travelling on behalf of WMO, which means that if any health or travel related eventuality should occur the non-staff members should seek assistance and claim their coverage from an insurance policy that they have taken out, as per the following regulation :

"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, which is directly attributable 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".

Travellers should note that WMO Regulations and Rules do not cover additional costs arising from the prolongation of stay of experts or other costs arising from travel restrictions imposed by national authorities. As with related health insurance provisions it is incumbent on the traveller to ensure that they retain the necessary travel insurance protection to cover unexpected occurrences such as border closures or other travel restrictions.

Insurance policy in relation to travel by car

Official travel by private vehicle will not be covered under the WMO Staff compensation and/or Benefits insurance policies. Travellers who choose to use a private vehicle for official travel should arrange for sufficient coverage with their car insurance provider for damages caused to both the vehicle and the occupants. This applies to personal vehicles as well as rental cars.

Ticket purchased through our WMO travel agency

The proposed itinerary is based on official travel dates and the traveller must accept or refuse this itinerary within 24 hours.

Once the proposed itinerary is confirmed, the traveller must ensure that an "Electronic Ticket" is received.

Deviations from the proposed official itinerary

For any deviation from the official itinerary proposed by WMO travel agency, the traveller should **directly** contact the travel agency, either by phone or e-mail to make the necessary arrangements.

FYI: CWT e-mail: wmo.ch@contactcwt.com,

CWT phone number (24/7): +41 58 515 00 78

Any additional cost resulting from a private deviation request will be borne by the traveller.

Deviations for personal convenience can be undertaken by the traveller purchasing their own tickets based on the WMO financial liability as per the standard cost or the cost of the itinerary proposed by the travel agency if such an itinerary has been requested. In these cases, the actual cost of the self-purchased ticket will be reimbursed by WMO.

Self-purchase of official travel tickets

Individuals travelling on behalf of WMO or whose official travel is paid for by WMO are authorized to purchase their own tickets. In this case,

- (a) Tickets can be purchased by travellers and will be reimbursed up to the actual cost paid by the traveller provided that the cost is within the financial liability as per the standard cost or the cost of the itinerary proposed by the travel agency, if such an itinerary has been requested;
- (b) In the event that there are changes to the planned official travel, the traveller is responsible for managing any associated change and refund requests by dealing directly with the ticket provider and for covering any extra charges related to these changes;
- (c) Travellers who have purchased their own tickets and are unable to travel for reasons of *force majeure* may be reimbursed the cost of the purchased tickets. Requests for reimbursement shall be justified in writing by the traveller and approved by the certifying officer;
- (d) Claims for reimbursement must be supported by the invoice paid by the traveller and/or proof of the official travel, if any.

Travel claims

Individuals travelling on behalf of WMO or whose official travel is paid for by WMO shall, within two calendar weeks after completion of the official travel, submit a completed official travel reimbursement claim, with supporting documents, including hotel invoices and boarding passes. Recovery of official travel advances (or "due to") shall be initiated if an individual travelling on behalf of WMO fails to submit a duly completed claim together with the supporting documents, or if, on review of the claim, it is determined that the official travel advance exceeded the amount of reimbursable official travel expenses.