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Annexes: 2 (available in English only)

Subject: International Training Course on Agrometeorology, from 14 to 25 September 2015

Action required: For information and appropriate action, as necessary

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have pleasure to inform you that the People's Republic of China will host an International Training Course on Agrometeorology, from 14 to 25 September 2015 at the WMO Regional Training Centre (RTC) in Nanjing, China.

The course is designed for meteorologists mainly from developing countries who are working in the field agrometeorology and other related fields. The course will be conducted in English, and it will mainly cover the basic theory and principles of agrometeorology. This will be helpful to improve participants' ability in carrying out agrometeorological forecasting and service, scientific research as well as management.

The Chinese Government will waive the tuition fee, and can provide local support for the accepted participants, upon request. For detailed information, please find attached the Enrolment Information and the Application Form.

The nominated candidates are requested to complete the attached Application Form, which should be endorsed by the Permanent Representative of their respective countries, and returned **directly to the RTC in Nanjing, China** at the address provided on the Application Form **not later than 31 July 2015**.

Yours faithfully,

(M. Jarraud) Secretary-General

- To: Permanent Representatives (or Directors of Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Services) of Members of WMO (PR-6837)
- cc: Hydrological Advisers to Permanent Representatives

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INTERNATIONAL TRAINING COURSE ON AGROMETEOROLOGY 14-25 September 2015, Nanjing, China

ENROLMENT INFORMATION

The International Training Course on Agrometeorology is organized by the WMO Regional Training Centre (RTC) Nanjing, sponsored by China Meteorological Administration (CMA).

Course Description

This course is designed to help participants, through theoretical study and practice, to master the basic theory and principles of agrometeorology. It is also helpful to improve participants' ability in carrying out agrometeorological forecasting and service, scientific research and management.

Expected Learning Outcomes

Participants are expected to master basic theory and principles of agrometeorology. They will be enabled to carry out agrometeorological forecasting and service, analyze and simulate crop growing system, operate agricultural remote sensing, evaluate and use the agroclimatic resources. They will also be enabled to know how to prevent and mitigate meteorological disasters, and the impact of climate change on agriculture.

Target Audience

Meteorologists who are working in the field of agrometeorology and other related fields from developing countries.

Course Content

The training course will mainly cover lectures on agrometeorological theory, micro-climate, water and water circle, analysis and simulation of crop growing system, agricultural remote sensing, agrometeorological forecasting and service, the effect of climate diversification, evaluation and use of agroclimatic resources, impact of climate change on agriculture, meteorological disasters prevention and mitigation and practice at the Agrometeorological Centre and so on.

Course Format

Lectures, practical sessions, seminar on special topics, study tour, discussion, and participant presentation etc.

Student Assessment

- 1) An observation will be made by the staff at RTC and lecturers for participants' attendance and performance at the lectures and other learning activities of the training course;
- 2) A paper test will be given to the participants after all the lectures to examine their understanding and acceptance of the knowledge transferred;
- 3) The instructors will assess participants' performance in practical sessions.

Instructors

Professors in the field from Nanjing University of Information Science and Technology (NUIST) and senior experts from CMA.

Language Used

The course will be conducted in English.

Participant Qualifications for Admission

Participants are required:

- 1) To be specialized in agrometeorology with a minimum of one years' professional experience;
- To be in good physical health with no infectious diseases. Physically fit to fulfill all course activities; candidates with limited physical mobility will not be accepted;
- To be proficient in English;
- 4) To prepare a report on agrometeorology of the participants' Service and a brief introduction of the participant's professional experiences for the purpose of exchanges;
- 5) Not to bring family members to the training course in principle; if bringing a family member, the participant has to pay extra expense;
- 6) To observe all the laws, rules and regulations in China and respect the Chinese customs during the training period;

Application and Selection Process

- The applicants must be meteorologists who are working in the field of agrometeorology from Meteorological and Hydrological Services of developing countries. The nominated candidates are requested to submit the <u>Application Forms and Passport Copy (necessary)</u> together with evidence of English proficiency (if there is) to the WMO RTC Nanjing China for examination and endorsement;
- 2) Admission Notices will be issued to the accepted participants by e-mail by the RTC Nanjing. With the Admission Notices, the participants are requested to go through all the necessary formalities for entering China and register at the RTC Nanjing on 14 September 2015.

Only accepted applicants that receive the Admission Notices endorsed by the WMO RTC Nanjing China can participate in the training course.

Costs

- 1) Tuition fee is free for all the accepted participants that receive the endorsed Admission Notices by the WMO RTC Nanjing China;
- 2) Due to limited funds, the WMO RTC Nanjing China can provide local support such as accommodation, meals, and pocket money (50 Yuan RMB per day) etc. for 30 participants only. Normally one applicant from each developing country or two applicants from each Least Developed Country are endorsed by the WMO RTC Nanjing China for the local support;
- Other accepted applicants or their respective governments need cover their accommodation (50 USD per day per person) and meals (20 USD per day per person) during the training period;
- 4) The international travel costs including round trip tickets, transit fares and subsistence allowance during the travel are to be covered by the participants or their employers;
- 5) The expenses of visa, medical care, insurances and domestic salaries for the participants should be borne by the participants' employers;
- 6) The organizer of the International Training Course on Agrometeorology does not hold any responsibility for such risks as loss of life, accidents, illness, and loss of property incurred during the whole period of participation in the training course.

Deadline for Application

The application should be sent to WMO RTC Nanjing **by 31 July 2015.** Attn: Prof. WANG Suchun, Executive Deputy Director WMO Regional Training Centre Nanjing Nanjing University of Information Science & Technology Nanjing, Jiangsu Province, 210044, China Tel: +86 25 58731404 Fax: +86 25 57010085 E-mail: rtc@nuist.edu.cn

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APPLICATION FORM INTERNATIONAL TRAINING COURSE ON AGROMETEOROLOGY (Nanjing, China, 14-25 September 2015)

Note: Please send the completed form directly to the WMO RTC Nanjing China as soon as possible and in any case no later than 31 July 2015.

I. Personal Data

1.	Surname					
	First Name					
2.	Gender					
	Date of Birth					
	Place of Birth					
	Passport Number:					
	Nationality					
	Marital Status					
	Health Condition					
	History of infectious disease:					
			(Please specify if yes)			
10	Address:					
	Telephone	Fax				
	E-mail Address:@					
11	11. Permanent Address:					
12. Contact person in emergency						
	Name:					
	Address:					
	Telephone Fax					
	E-mail Address: :@					
13. Statement of present work						
	Name of institution					
	Position held					
	A brief description of duties					

Date	Institution	F	Position	and Duties
	nal and/or profes			
Date	Major and U	Iniversity	/	Degree/Diploma
16. Languag	e Proficiency			
Mother T	ongue			
English I	Proficiency (Pleas	e tick):		
Reading	a. excellent b.	good	c. fair	d. poor
Listening	: a. excellent b.	good	c. fair	d. poor
Speaking	g: a. excellent b.	good	c. fair	d. poor
Writing:	a. excellent b.	good	c. fair	d. poor
	iy you wish to at k in the future.	tend the	e course	e and indicate the practical use of the course to
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II. Insurance

I fully understand that the seminar organizer does not take any responsibility for such risks as loss of life, accidents, illness, loss of property etc.

III. Personal Statement

I hereby declare that the information given above is true, correct and complete. I shall bear the responsibility for the above information.

I pledge to observe all the Chinese laws and will respect the local customs and follow the course regulations during my stay in China for the training course.

Date

Signature of the Applicant

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IV. Please indicate whether local support is required and if so, whether in the form of accommodation, meals during the training period at the WMO RTC Nanjing China (Please tick):

Apply for local support of:		
Accommodation	□ yes	🗆 no
Meals	□ yes	🗆 no

If you cannot get local support from the organizer, will you or your government pay for the above expenses?

V. Endorsement of the Nominator

- 1. Name of Organization
- 2. Name and Signature of the Permanent Representative with WMO:

Name	 		
Signature			
Official Seal	 		
Date			

VI. Contact Details

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