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Annexes: 2 (available in English only)

Subject: Comments/Suggestions on the draft Implementation Plan of Seamless Global Data Processing and Forecasting System (Seamless GDPFS)

Action required: To provide comments/suggestions on the draft Implementation Plan of Seamless GDPFS

Dear Sir/Madam,

As you may recall, Resolution 11 (Cg-17) decided to initiate a process for the gradual establishment of an enhanced integrated and seamless WMO Data-processing and Forecasting System, in light of the conclusions of the first World Weather Open Science Conference (Montreal, Canada, August 2014) and requested the Executive Council to formulate the terms of reference for this process, and a description of the set of products the system should produce for consideration by the Eighteenth World Meteorological Congress (Cg-18).

It can also be recalled that Decision 55 (EC-68) established a Steering Group on Seamless GDPFS to address the implementation of Resolution 11 (Cg-17) and requested the CBS to consult widely with Members and to work towards tabling the White Paper along with the Implementation Plan for consideration by EC-69. Resolution 18 (EC-69) decided that the Steering Group on Seamless GDPFS would continue to coordinate collaboration between constituent bodies to create the documentation requested in Resolution 11 (Cg-17) and be chaired jointly by the presidents of CBS and CAS.

Recommendation 40 (EC-70) endorsed the overall approach of the EC Steering Group on Seamless GDPFS. For the implementation of the future Seamless GDPFS, it also urged Members to provide comments on the draft Implementation Plan of Seamless GDPFS.

In this regard, please provide your comments on the draft Implementation Plan of Seamless GDPFS in Annex I (English only) and put your comments and suggestions in the Table in Annex II, which is also available in Word format on the WMO website: <http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/www/DPFS/Future%20GDPFS/Draft-seamless-GDPFS-IP.html>

I would appreciate if you could kindly review the draft Implementation Plan and submit your comments and suggestions by **31 January 2019**, in Word format, to the Secretariat focal point, Ms Eunha Lim, Scientific Officer, Data-processing and Forecasting System at elim@wmo.int and dpfsmail@wmo.int.

To: Permanent Representatives (or Directors of Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Services) of Members of WMO

cc: Hydrological Advisers to Permanent Representatives

I would like to take this opportunity to express my personal gratitude for your service to WMO and your continued support to the Global Data-processing and Forecasting System.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Zhang', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

(W. Zhang)
for the Secretary-General