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Subject: Common Alerting Protocol (CAP) E-Learning Courses and Resources

Dear Sir/Madam,

As you may be aware, Congress has, over the years, made several decisions in which it requested Members to provide weather warnings in the Common Alerting Protocol (CAP) format, a standard format that enables an easy, automated transmission of warnings over all communication platforms in order to better reach all users including disaster management authorities and the public. The CAP standard is also an important component in the implementation of the WMO Global Multi-hazard Alert System (GMAS).

I am now pleased to inform you that the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), through the collaboration of its Public Weather Services (PWS) and the Education and Training Office (ETR) Programmes, has developed a set of CAP E-learning resources and courses offered on the Moodle Platform. These resources will enable Members to build up their skills for the implementation of the CAP standard in an easy and cost-effective manner. The platform is accessible through the following URL: cap.wmo.int.

The CAP courses and resources provided on the platform are designed to enhance the understanding of CAP, including what CAP is, what it does, how it works, how to issue CAP alerts, and how to manage and set up CAP for NMHSs and other relevant organizations. Included are three separate courses to be selected based on the role and responsibilities of the participant in administering and maintaining CAP alert systems. In addition to the courses, a collection of free and documented IT resources is also provided.

The courses are self-directed, meaning that participants can follow them at their own pace with all resources and learning activities available online. Each participant will be issued with a WMO-certified badge upon successful completion of a course.

I am therefore very pleased to invite you to circulate this information to the relevant staff of your service and to invite them to register for the courses indicated above. For any questions or points of clarification please contact Mr Samuel Muchemi, Scientific Officer, Disaster Risk Reduction and Public Services Branch (smuchemi@wmo.int).

I take this opportunity to express my gratitude for your continued support of the Programmes and activities of WMO.

Yours faithfully,

(E. Manaenkova)
for the Secretary-General

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cc: Hydrological Advisers to Permanent Representatives