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Subject: WMO Survey on the High-level Guidance on the Evolution of Global Observing Systems

Action required: To provide feedback by filling out the online survey on the High-level Guidance on the Evolution of Global Observing Systems, by
15 December 2023

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to refer to the [Resolution 20](#) of the nineteenth World Meteorological Congress (Cg-19) on High-Level Guidance (HLG) on the Evolution of Global Observing Systems during the period 2023–2027 in response to the Vision for the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) Integrated Global Observing System (WIGOS) in 2040.

The HLG provides guidance to the WMO Members for key activities and actions to be implemented within the next five years (2023–2027): to accomplish the required evolution enhancements of WIGOS; to achieve improved Early Warnings for All; to support improved weather forecasting; and for adequate monitoring of climate change.

It sets out principles of a general nature that should be considered for the development of implementation plans by Members, agencies, and other operators of observing networks. With this information, National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHS), space agencies and other observing system designers will be able to adapt and harmonize their planning accordingly to develop the space-based and surface-based components of WIGOS.

Cg-19 requested, through its [Resolution 20](#), the presidents of regional associations to support and monitor the implementation of this resolution within their regions, and the president of the Commission for Observation, Infrastructure and Information Systems (INFCOM) to monitor implementation of this resolution by Members.

In this regard, the INFCOM/Joint Expert Team on Earth Observing System Design and Evolution (JET-EOSDE) has developed an initial survey to gather information which will provide the benchmark against which future improvements of WIGOS will be assessed.

The survey is available in English with the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/NJqDYBr6vg>.

To: Permanent Representatives of Members with WMO

cc: Hydrological Advisers
Presidents and vice-presidents of technical commissions
Presidents of regional associations
Chair and vice-chair of the Research Board
Members of the INFCOM Management Group

I would be grateful if you could provide us with your valuable feedback, by completing the online survey at your earliest convenience, but preferably not later than **15 December 2023**.

To facilitate the broad engagement at the national level, it is encouraged that your WIGOS National Focal Points reach out to all the WIGOS stakeholders in your country and provide one consolidated response to the survey.

Should you have any questions concerning the survey, or should you experience problems accessing it, please do not hesitate to contact the WMO Secretariat by sending an email to Mr Krunoslav Premec at kpremec@wmo.int.

I wish to take the opportunity to convey to you and your service my appreciation for your continued contribution to WMO's activities.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Zhang', written in a cursive style.

Dr Wenjian Zhang
for the Secretary-General