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Annex: 1

Subject: Invitation to Permanent Representatives and Hydrological Advisors to the launch of WMO's State of Global Water Resources Report 2022

Dear Sir/Madam,

First of all, World Meteorological Organization (WMO) thanks all the Members for their support and active participation in the preparation of the State of the Global Water Resources Report 2022. It is our pleasure to invite you to the launch of the report, to be held as a hybrid event at the WMO headquarters (Salle Obasi), Geneva, on **Thursday, 12 October 2023**, 1200–1300 CEST, followed by a second, online-only, launch on the same day, 1900–2000 CEST. To attend the launch in-person, please register [here](#). For online participation, kindly use the Zoom links and see the agenda provided in the [annex](#).

Building on its successful pilot from the previous year, the WMO's State of Global Water Resources Report 2022 is now an annual WMO initiative that provides an independent, comprehensive, quantitative assessment of the global water resources. This report, a key WMO commitment to the [United Nations 2023 Water Conference Water Action Agenda](#), has expanded its scope to include groundwater, evapotranspiration, soil moisture, reservoirs and extreme hydrological disasters in addition to the components of last year's report. It relies on a combination of in-situ data, modelling systems and remote sensing to bridge data gaps globally.

Although there has been increased data sharing, uniform global hydrological observations remain our goal and require more investment in monitoring and data sharing. The report offers policy guidance for global decision-makers, as well as being of practical utility, and is aligned with the United Nations [Early Warning System Initiative](#) and [Sustainable Development Goals](#) related to water and climate. It also quantifies environmental and anthropogenic impacts on hydrological conditions and complements the WMO [State of the Global Climate 2022 Report](#) by contributing to integrated water and climate action planning globally.

The Secretariat of the WMO looks forward to welcoming you at the launch and thanks you again for your continued support in making this crucial report possible.

Yours faithfully,

Dr Elena Manaenkova
for the Secretary-General


To: Permanent Representatives of Members with WMO

cc: Hydrological Advisers

Agenda and Zoom links

Launch 1: 12 October 2023, **1200–1300 CEST** (hybrid), Salle Obasi, WMO headquarters, Geneva

Zoom link: [Here](#), Meeting ID: 816 8237 6884, Passcode: 005144

1200–1205	Welcome by the Master of Ceremonies, Dr Johan Stander (Director, Services Department, WMO)
1205–1210	Introduction, Dr Stefan Uhlenbrook (Director, Hydrology, Water and Cryosphere (HWC), WMO)
1210–1225	Launch of the State of Global Water Resources 2022 Report, Secretary-General of WMO, Prof. Petteri Taalas
1225–1245	Panel discussion – Country Stories of Challenge and Success 
1245–1255	Q&A with the audience – Dr Sulagna Mishra (Scientific Officer/HWC)
1255–1300	Closing, Deputy Secretary-General of WMO, Dr Elena Manaenkova
1300–1400	Networking event with refreshments

Launch 2: 12 October 2023, **1900–2000 CEST** (online only)

Join Zoom: [Here](#), Meeting ID: 847 9242 8785, Passcode: 740990

1900–1905	Welcome by the Master of Ceremonies, Dr Johan Stander (Director, Services Department, WMO)
1905–1910	Introduction, Dr Stefan Uhlenbrook (Director, Hydrology, Water and Cryosphere, WMO)
1910–1925	Launch of the State of Global Water Resources 2022 Report, Deputy Secretary-General of WMO, Dr Elena Manaenkova
1925–1945	Panel Discussion – Country Stories of Challenge and Success
1945–1955	Q&A with the audience – Dr Sulagna Mishra (Scientific officer/HWC)
1955–2000	Closing, Dr Johan Stander (Director, Services Department, WMO)
