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Annexe: 1 (disponible en anglais seulement)

Objet: Invitation à soumettre des candidatures pour les prix Vilho Väisälä (2016)

Suite à donner: Soumettre les candidatures au Secrétaire général le **31 décembre 2015** au plus tard

Madame, Monsieur,

À sa trente-septième session, le Conseil exécutif a institué le prix Vilho Väisälä destiné à récompenser des travaux de recherche exceptionnels dans le domaine des instruments et des méthodes d'observation météorologiques. À sa cinquante-sixième session, un second prix Vilho Väisälä a été créé pour couronner des travaux relatifs à la mise au point et à l'utilisation d'instruments et de méthodes d'observation dans les pays en développement. Les deux prix sont décernés à l'occasion de la Conférence technique sur les instruments et les méthodes d'observation météorologique et environnementale et de l'Exposition d'instruments météorologiques, équipements et services (TECO/METEOREX) que l'OMM organise tous les deux ans, et une récompense en espèces de 10 000 dollars É.-U. est remise au(x) lauréat(s) de chacun des prix.

Le Conseil est convenu que la prochaine sélection de lauréats se ferait lors de sa soixante-huitième session, en 2016, conformément aux directives fixées, qui définissent notamment les critères d'attribution des prix et les modalités de présentation des candidatures. Nous joignons à la présente, à toutes fins utiles, le texte des directives visées.

Compte tenu de ce qui précède, j'ai le plaisir de vous inviter à soumettre, dès que possible et le **31 décembre 2015** au plus tard, des candidatures distinctes pour:

- a) Le vingt-cinquième prix Vilho Väisälä couronnant des travaux de recherche exceptionnels dans le domaine des instruments et des méthodes d'observation (2016);

Aux: Représentants permanents (ou directeurs des Services météorologiques ou hydrométéorologiques) des Membres de l'OMM (PR-6859)

cc: Conseillers en hydrologie auprès des représentants permanents
Membres du Groupe de gestion de la CIMO

- b) Le sixième prix Vilho Väisälä couronnant un travail relatif à la mise au point et à l'utilisation d'instruments et de méthodes d'observation dans les pays en développement (2016).

Veuillez agréer, Madame, Monsieur, l'expression de ma considération distinguée.



(J. Lengoasa)
pour le Secrétaire général

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Annex to paragraph 5.2(2).1 of the general summary

GUIDELINES FOR GRANTING

The Professor Dr. VILHO VÄISÄLÄ AWARD for an Outstanding Research Paper on Instruments and Methods of Observation

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Professor Dr. Vilho Väisälä Award for an Outstanding Research Paper on Instruments and Methods of Observation is to encourage and stimulate interest in research in the field of instruments and methods of observation in support of WMO Programmes.

2. Criteria for granting awards

The award shall recognize an outstanding paper published in a scientific journal, or a summary of a successfully defended Ph.D. thesis for:

- (i) the significance of its topic;
- (ii) the novelty of its ideas and methods;
- (iii) the value of its results to WMO Programmes.

The Professor Dr. VILHO VÄISÄLÄ AWARD for the Development and Implementation of Instruments and Methods of Observation in Developing Countries

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Professor Dr. Vilho Väisälä Award for the Development and Implementation of Instruments and Methods of Observation in Developing Countries is to encourage and stimulate capacity development in instruments and methods of observation for the WMO Integrated Global Observing System (WIGOS) in developing countries.

2. Criteria for granting awards

The award shall be made for an outstanding paper published in a scientific journal, or a significant technical report, a project report or a summary of a successfully defended Ph.D. or MSc. thesis for:

- (i) the significance of its contribution to the long-term stability and reliability of meteorological and related environmental observations in developing countries;
- (ii) the relevance to the observing systems in developing countries;
- (iii) the value of its results to, and their impact on, WMO Programmes and key priority areas.

3. Methods of submission

- (a) The Permanent Representatives of Members of WMO will be invited to submit to the Secretary-General not more than two nominations and the corresponding papers/reports for each award that were published during the 24-month period preceding the year in which the award is made and that have not previously won an international prize; indicating the title of the award for which each submission is being made;

- (b) Papers/reports for each submission shall be provided in electronic format and in a WMO working language (original or translation). Submitters are strongly encouraged to provide these papers/reports in English, but if that is not possible, then they shall submit an extended précis in English to facilitate assessment of their merit.

4. Method of selection

- (a) The president of CIMO, in consultation with the vice-president, invites three distinguished scientists in the field of instruments and methods of observation, who would serve as assessors for both awards;
- (b) For each award, each assessor should allot a mark to each paper, which should be in the range 0 (lowest) to 5 (highest) and submit the evaluation to the Secretary-General. The evaluation should be based on the criteria defined above with equal weight being assigned to each of the three criteria mentioned under 2 above;
- (c) The final selection of the award winner, or winners, for each award, is made by the Selection Committee established for this purpose by the Executive Council for a period of four years. The Committee consists of two members and, *ex officio*, the president of CIMO;
- (d) The Executive Council Selection Committee may decide not to recommend an award if the papers/reports submitted are not of a sufficiently high standard.

5. Nature of the award

Each award consists of a diploma, a medal and a sum of US\$ 10,000; the latter could be shared between co-authors. The award is granted on a biennial basis.

6. Award ceremony

The award ceremony shall normally take place during the conjoint WMO Technical Conference on Meteorological and Environmental Instruments and Methods of Observation (TECO) and the Exhibition of Meteorological Instruments Related Equipment and Services (METEOREX).
